OIC offers Philippines mediation

SINGAPORE (R) — The Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) has offered to mediate in the Muslim separatist conflict in the Philippines, Maulia's chief peace negotiator said Sunday. Emmannel Pelaez, a former Manila's chief peace negotiator said Sunday. Emmannet Peiacz, a former vice president and foreign minister, told reporters OIC Secretary-German Syed Sharifuddin Pizzadeh made the offer after they held three hours of talks here. Mr. Pelacz described the meeting as friendly and said Mr. Pizzadeh expressed OIC support for the government of President Corazon Aquino. "They (the OIC) said they will help us try to settle the problem," Mr. Pelacz said. Mr. Pizzadeh did not talk in reporters after the meeting. The Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) insurgency, who say they will drop their expressing demands if a deal on autography can be reached. will drop their separatist demands if a deal on autonomy can be reached want self-rule for 23 southern provinces. The government of President Aquino has agreed to autonomy for only 13 provinces and says the plan must be approved in a referendam. Most Muslims live in the south and make up about 10 per cent of the country's mainly Christian population of 56 million. Talks between the MNLF and the government collapsed last

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Israelis stage mock air raids

BEIRUT (AP) - Israeli warplanes Sunday staged a mock air raid on Palestinian refugee camps in South Lebanon. Israeli jets crashed the sound barrier over South Lebanon's port city of Sidon and its 'Ain Al Hilweh and Mich Mich Palestinian refugee camps in repeated low-altitude runs at mid-morning. Police said Palestinian fighters fired anti-aircraft guns at the bowling jets as thunderous sonic booms shook Lebanon's third largest city. But there were no bombing sorties. Many of Israel's 15 previous air strikes in Lebanon, which killed 60 people and wounded 171 this year, were preceded by similar mock raids.

N. Yemen mediating between Egypt and Libya over-aircraft

SANAA (R) - North Yemen is trying to arrange the exchange of two Libyan aircraft which landed in Egypt for three Egyptians seized on the border, the North Yemeni news agency SABA reported Sanday. It said President Ali Abduliah Saleh had received a message from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak on Sanaa's efforts to make the swap. A Libyan C-130 transport plane and a Chinook LC-15 both landed in Egypt last March and Cairo said alf eight crew members had asked for political asylum, Mr. Mubar-ak later said he would not return the aircraft to Libya until it freed. three Egyptians seized at the border between the two Arab states,

Harare blames Pretoria for rocket attack

HARARE (R) — An explosion apparently caused by a rocket damaged a house used by exiled South Africans early Sunday and Zimbabwe blamed Pretoria for the blast, the second in Harare in . An omciai sa said: "The government of Zimbabwe has no doubt that the perpetrators of this act are South African agents sent by the Pretoria regime to harass South Afri-can refugees." No-one was hurt in the explosion, which caused little damage.

Egypt's central bank unaware of \$1b loan

CAIRO (R) — Egypt's Central Bank Governor Mohammad Salaheddin Hamid said Sunday he was not aware of a reported \$1 billion loan by the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) to Egypt. An opposition newspaper, Al Wafd said Saturday the GCC had approved the loan to help Egypt repay unlitary debts to the West.

Nine killed in mid-air collision

BRUSSELS (R) — Nine people four Britons and five Belgians, died Sunday when two light aircraft collided in mid-air just north of the Belgian port city of Autwerp, police said. There were no survivors from the accident which occurred shortly after both planes took off from Antwerp airport. The dead included four Belgian parachutists and their pilot, police said. They were unable to confirm a report by the Belgian news agency Belga that a group of British parachutists were believed to be among the dead.

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Registration centres all over the Kingdom witnessed a large turnout of citizens to register their names before the deadline expired at 6 p.m. Sunday (photos by Yonsef Al 'Allan)

Voter registration ends; final turnout figure revised at less than a million

By Rana Sabbagh Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Voter registration for parliamentary elections ended yesterday with officials expecting that the final figure of registered voters to have reached nearly 850,000.

well below projections made on Saturday by a number of officials who expected that nearly a million citizens would register for

Israeli

military

orders

expulsion

of Gaza

The revised figure of 850,000 is voting before the legal period for registration ended at 6:30 p.m.

There was no official explanation, for the revised figures, but

some officials have insisted that the final figure of eligible voters would reach 950,000 when all names have been counted by the Ministry of Interior today.

Exact figures for governorates were available until only 3:00 p.m. Sunday, three-and-a-half hours before the deadline expired. However, a spokesman for Amman Governorate, with nearly one third of the Kingdom's total population, said that 282,108 eligible voters had registered by closing time Sunday,

The turnout for the seven other

til 3:00 p.m.: Irbid — 241,000; Zarga — 80,000; Balgaa — 78,500; Karak — 57,000; Mafraq — 40,000; Ma'an — 36,000, and Tafileh — 19,022.

According to these figures, the total turnout now stands at just over 830,000 and moderate official projections are that the final number would end at 850,000.

When all names of voters who have registered at the 700 registration centres throughout the

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Gemayel, denying resignation threat, vows to serve full term

Amin Gemayel has denied that he threatened to resign unless Christian and Muslim leaders cooperated to resolve a twoweek-old cabinet crisis, his radio

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israeh army said Sunday it would expel a ployed 7,500 troops to end three Palestinian accused of leading a outh movement in the occupied

Gaza Strip. It said Ahmad Abdul Fatah Nasser, 36, of Khan Younis, had succeeded Mohammad Dahlan, 26, who was expelled in January for allegedly heading the Fatch minnte after." youth movement of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO)

in Gaza. Mr. Nasser can appeal to a military tribunal and Israel's supreme court, although both have rejected challenges to previous army expulsion orders.

He was jailed in 1975 for allegedly placing an explosive charge behind a bus in a Tel Aviv suburh, an army spokesman said. The blast caused no injuries.

Mr. Nasser returned to Gaza in the 1985 release of 1,150 Israeliheld prisoners exchanged for three Israeli soldiers held by Palestinians in Syria.

The army spokesman charged that Mr. Nasser resumed his anti-Israeli activities after his release, took over the youth movement on Mr. Dahlan's expulsion and ignored army warnings to halt his "incitement to violence." He was detained for 18 days in January.

The spokesman did not say where Mr. Nasser, whose expulsion will be the fourth this year, would be sent. Israel on Thursday expelled to the East Bank two Palestinian student leaders accused of organising anti-Israeli demonstrations at universities in the occupied West Bank.

Rooms sealed

In the West Bank on Sunday, the army said, Israeli soldiers in the town of Qalkilya sealed rooms in the houses of three people accused of carrying out petrol bomh attacks against Israeli vehici s.

The army on Friday said it had arrested an unspecified number of Palestinians allegedly responsihle for five such attacks in the last month.

Israeli forces seal rooms and homes as "collective punish-ment" aimed at deterring others from carrying out resistance acti-More than 100 Palestinians are

currently held without trial in Israeli jails under what the occupation authorities described as "administrative" detention. under a law dating back to the British mandate of Palestine. Under the law, "suspects" could be held for renewable terms of six months without trial.

denial to visitors who called on him at his Baabda presidential BEIRUT. (AP) - President tion threat.

station said Sunday.

Police reported four dynamite explosions rocked west Beirut overnight, raising to 108 the total of such attacks since Syria de-

years of militia anarchy. "I shall serve out my term to the last minute," Mr. Gemayel, 45, a Maronite Catholic, was quoted as saying by the Voice of Justice radio. "I shall not quit a minute before that or stay on a

Mr. Gemayel's six-year term expires Sept. 23, 1988. Lebanon's constitution bars presidents from seeking a second term.

Voice of Justice is operated by Mr. Gemayel's wing of the mostly Christian right-wing Falange Party based at the traditional Metn power base of the Gemayel clan. The radio said he made the

palace after the reported resigna-

The report was broadcast Saturday by the Voice of Lebanon radio, the mouthpiece of the Falange Party mainly in Christian east Beirut, and the independent Beirut newspaper An Nahar. The cabinet crisis was sparked

by the resignation of Syrian-backed Prime Minister Rashid Karami 14 days ago. Mr. Karami said his decision

was prompted by the failure of his half-Christian, half-Muslim 10man cabinet to cope with a worsening economic crisis triggered by 12 years of civil war.

Mr. Gemayel has been under pressure from rightist groups to accept the resignation and name another Sunni Muslim to form a new government.

But Muslims rallied behind Mr. Karami. Syria has served notice it was trying to persuade Mr. Karami to rescind his resignation. The Beirut daily As Safir mi's resignation.

quoted Mr. Gemayel as telling visitors he would not "rush into a rash move" on Mr. Karami's resignation.

"We should not allow ourselves to fall in mistakes that would partition and dismember the country. Therefore, we shall take whatever time is needed to arrive at the right decision." Shi'ite Muslim Amal militia

chieftain Nabih Berri, a traditional Gemayel foe, praised Mr. Gemayel in a statement published by several Beirut newspapers Sunday. "The president's stance is cor-

rect. His attitude safeguards the nation's intergrity without being affected by terrorism practiced against him in east Beirut," said Mr. Berri, who doubles as justice minister in Mr. Karami's cabinet.

The remark apparently was a reference to statements by rightist militia commander Samir Geagea that he would "keep up the pressure without letup" on Mr. Gemayel to accept Mr. Kara-

PLO insists on role in peace conference

TUNIS (R) - The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leadership says it must take part in any Middle East peace conference and has drafted a statement opposing any plan to exclude it from such a meeting, a PLO spokesman said Sunday.

PLO spokesman Ahmad Abdul Rahman said the statement would he issued by the 15-member PLO Executive Com-

The PLO leadership also called for better relations with Egypt, which closed all PLO offices in Cairo last month, Abdul Rahman

allocation of portfolios in the committee, expanded to include members of Syrian-based factions which were reconciled with the PLO at a Palestine National Council (PNC) meeting in Algiers last month.
All 10 committee members

reelected at the PNC session retained their old jobs, apart from Palestine Liberation Front (PLF) leader Mohammad Ahbas (Abu Abbas), who has no portfolio, Abdul Rahman said.

Foreign Affairs spokesman Farouk Kaddoumi remains head of the political department. Of the five new members, Yas-

The leadership decided on the ser Abd Rabbo of the Democra-

tic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) was made head of information and Abu Ali Mustapha of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) becomes responsible for Palestinian refugee camps.

Communist Party leader Suleiman Najeh becomes head of social affairs and Abdallah Hourani, an independent, is head of culture. Mahmoud Darwish. another independent and a noted poet, becomes head of a new department of culture and information. The executive, which has been

meeting since Wednesday, was to continue its session Sunday night.

Tories fret over voter complacency

LONDON (R) — Anxiety deepened in Britain's ruling Con-servative Party on Sunday that complacency among its supporters could threaten its expected victory in the June 11 general election after new opinion polls confirmed its strong lead over the opposition.

Two polls published on Sunday gave the Tories leads of 14 and nine percentage points respec-tively over the Labour Party, with the centrist alliance trailing in third place.

Conservative Party Chairman Norman Tehbit, echoing a warning from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, said Saturday that complacency was the only real danger facing the Tories. "As long as we do our job, fight off complacency, and if we get our voters out, we will get a good result," he said.

Mrs. Thatcher is seeking a third four-year term of office and says she wants to go on subsequently to a fourth term. Mr. Tebbit's concern was reinforced by a separate poll in the Sunday telegraph suggesting that seven out of 10 Britons were already bored by the election campaign, which is getting intense media coverage.

With campaigning due to start officially on Monday, there weremore indications that it will be one of the most bruising elections for decades. The Conservatives unveiled a poster accusing the Labour Party of baking extreme left-wing attitudes on homosexuals, the teaching of sex in schools and the police.

But Conservative officials de-nied a claim by Liberal Party leader David Steel that Tories were behind stories in two daily newspapers suggesting he had had a relationship with the exwife of a former party official. Mr. Steel, who angrily denied the claims, said Saturday he was

sning the two newspapers. Opinion polls have unanimously put the Conservatives comfortably ahead — one last week Tory win.

giving them an 18-point lead raising fears among party officials that Conservatives might not bother to vote.

A MORI poll published in the Sunday Times gave the Tories 44 per cent support, Labour 30 per cent and the alliance 25 per cent. This would represent an overall Tory majority of 130 seats in the 650-seat House of Commons, the lower house of parliament.

In the Observer, a Harris poll showed the Conservatives with 42 per cent, Labour 33 per cent and the alliance 23 per cent, which would mean a 68-seat Tory majority. Although Mrs. Thatcher

appears to be on course for a solid victory and a record third consecutive term in office, the Harris poll indicated there was considerable scope for tactical voting — opponents casting their ballot for an opposition party other than their own to prevent a

Peres defends his timing of forcing showdown with Likud

NEW YORK (Agencies) — Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres on Sunday defended his timing in forcing a showdown with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir over an international Middle East peace conference.

United States to act as an intermediary between Israel and the Soviet Union to get Moscow involved in the peace conference. Reacting to published criticism about his peace efforts, Mr. Peres said in an address to American Jewish leaders: "What should I have done differently? Should I

have to give me an answer." "They say I didn't have the support at home. I say 50 per cent is quite a support and that is the support we are getting on the

issues," he added. The New York Times quoted a senior Reagan administration official on Sunday as saying Mr. Peres miscalculated in presenting his plan to the Israeli cabinet last Wednesday for a vote.

Mr. Shamir staunchly opposes the idea and the 10-member cahinet split evenly on the

The official said Mr. Peres had counted on the United States to save him somehow and that made it more difficult for Washington

to support the conference. But addressing the annual meeting of the American Jewish

Committee, Mr. Peres denied this scenario.

to quit Israeli coalition

FEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israel Communications Minister Amnon Rubinstein said Sunday he would protest against a cabinet deadlock over peace moves by pulling his centrist Shinui Party out of a government he described

as a "two-headed monster." Mr. Rubinstein told a news conference he hoped the move would prompt a general election that would give Labour Foreign Minister Shimon Peres a mandate to pursue a Middle East peace conference.

"I have decided to recommend to the Shinui (Change) council to withdraw from the national unity government. The government has reached a dead end," Mr. Rubinstein said.

Mr. Peres demanded early elections last week after the cabinet reached a deadlock over the peace plan. His Labour Party favor is Israeli participation in the con, rence, while the right-wing Likud bloc of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir opposes it.

Labour lacks the parliamentary support to bring about early elections, and has said it would remain in the government while seeking to topple it.

Mr. Rubinstein, 56, said Sunday he expected his resignation to win party approval Wednesday and become effective Friday. He said be believed his resignation "would strengthen the

chances for early elections"

Likud suffers setback

Likud suffered a setback on Sunday in its efforts to enlist the ultra-religious Shas (Sephardi Torah Guardians) party in its fight against an international con-

Rabbi Yitzhak Peretz, a former

Shas interior minister, met

Labour representatives and said

the government might be best advised to go to new elections. A spokesman for Mr. Shamir said on Friday that Rabbi Peretz, known as the "Israeli ayatollah" for his fundamentalist views, agreed to return to the cabinet post he quit in January over a dispute on registering a reform convert to Judaism as a Jew.

But Rabbi Peretz apparently did not clear his decision with the council of Sages, a group of rabbis that formulate Shas policy. They were due to convene Sunday to consider the party's future

"I don't think I have asked for see where the Russians are, if American support on what is an he said. "I don't

suggest, I don't expect that Israelis get involved in American politics. We don't expect Amercans to get involved in our poli-He also said he expected the "The problem before the American administration is not

> he added. "The issue is to keep the peace momentum alive." In a U.S. television interview later Sunday, Mr. Peres said it was unclear whether the Soviet Union would agree with the for-

who to support in Israel, but what

to support in the Middle East,"

have waited psychologically? You mat for a peace conference. "If the Russians will not come then we shall try to do without them." he said. "I believe what should be done

> right now is really to see where do the Russians stand on their parti-The Russians are looking for something which is undefined.

They call it a more dynamic role.

What do they mean 'dynamic role? He said he expected the United States to play a role as an intermediary between Israel and the Soviet Union in an effort to

ference process. "I think without the United States it will not become clear and I think this is now the issue of

get Moscow involved in the con-

they're available for a constructive opening of direct negotiations," Mr. Peres told the American Jewish Committee. 'If not, we shall look for alternatives.

ited States insist that before the Soviets are allowed to participate in an international peace conference, they must restore diplomatic relations with Israel and case restrictions on Jewish emigration.

The Israeli leader and the Un-

Mr. Peres said he decided to raise the peace conference issue now because he felt the peace process was too important to wait for the next Israeli election in late

"I'm sincerely and deeply concerned that we may miss an opportunity (for peace). So this is the real issue.

"The problem is that I'm not so sure that the option can wait for the election and Israel must make up her mind on a very very serious issue, maybe the most serious one we are facing since the creation of the state of

He said he learned from Secretary of State George Shultz on Saturday that "he remains true to his positions." He did not elaborate on what these positions

He added: "If there is a chance for peace it cannot be achieved without a very deep and serious I think we shall try, the Un- involvement of the United ited States and Israel together, to States.'

Iraq reports hitting two vessels in Gulf

BAGHDAD (Agencies) - Iraq a cargo ship or tanker — off the the air raid at 11:28 a.m. Iranian coast in the northern Gulf

A military spokesman said the strikes were made at 0508 GMT and 0820 GMT and all the planes returned safely to hase.

There was no immediate independent confirmation of the attacks from shipping and salvage sources in the region.

Iraq reported the attacks as Iran said its jets bombed an arms factory in northern Iraq. The Iraqi News Agency (INA), said the first vessel, which it described as a "very large mari-

time target," was hit at 09:08 The second was hit at 12:20 p.m., it said.

The agency quoted a military spokesman in Baghdad as saying the attacks were in the line with Iraq's "firm and legitimate policy of disrupting the oil supplies which the Iranian regime insists on employing for the continua- strongholds in northern Iraqi tion of aggression against our country.

Iran's official Islamie Republic News Agency (IRNA) said Iranian fighter-bombers heavily bombed a factory near the north- Kurds had fled into Iran.

It said the factory, 10 said its warplanes hit two large kilometres from the city, susnaval targets — the usual term for tained "considerable damage" in

Iraq said, however, that the s attempted to bo residential areas of the garrison city in Iragi Kurdistan close to the Turkish border.

Iraqi ground defences intercepted the raiding Iranian jets and forced them to flee, INA

IRNA said the Dohuk bombing was in retaliation for recent Iraqi attacks on economic and industrial centres in Iran. Iraq last Wednesday bombed oil refineries in the Iranian cities of Tabriz and Isfahan, and on Friday bombed the Ahwaz oil-

also were reported to have hit two oil tankers in the Gulf. Iran retaliated shelling Iraq's Umm Qasr oil jetty on the northern tip of the Gulf in retaliation. Iran also claimed that the Iraqi army lannehed a large-scale attack on Iran-hacked rehel

fields in southern Iran. Iraqi jets

Kurdish provinces. Iraq withheld comment on the report although Iran said heavy fighting was still continuing Saturday and that thousands of

ern Iraqi city of Dohuk Sunday. Related story on page 2 **Kuwait-leased Soviet** tanker hits sea mine

BAHRAIN (AP) — A Soviet oil tanker leased to Kuwait to ward off Iranian attacks hit a mine in salvage executives said Sunday. of their 6½-year war.

On the same day, the United TASS did not say wh

Arah Emirates rejected foreign escorts for its shipping while Oman's foreign minister said in Tehran that Iran should be consulted in decisions on Gulf affairs (See page 2).
The official Soviet news agency

TASS said the 67,980-tonne Marshal Chuikov struck a mine late Saturday about 35 nantical miles off Kuwait. It said there were "no victims," which in Soviet parlance means

no crew members were killed, but it did not say whether any were It did not specify whether the tanker was one of the three Soviet vessels leased to Kuwait. But the Gulf-based salvage ex-

of anonymity, said it was. The mine blew a large hole in the bottom of the hull, the Soviet agency said, as the ship was making its first trip to the Gulf.

ecutives, speaking on condition

The Marshal Chuikov is the second Soviet ship this month to suffer damage in the Gulf, where the Gulf overnight, blowing a Iran and Iraq have been attacking large hole in the hull, marine merchant shipping in an offshoot

> TASS did not say whether the mine that hit the vessel was Iramian or Iraqi. It said the 240metre vessel was being towed to Kuwait for repairs. The shipping executives said the Marshal Chuikov was escorted

> by a Soviet frigate through the Iranian-threatened Strait of Hormuz and the Gulf waters en route to Kuwait.

They confirmed that the vessel hit a sea mine, which probably drifted southwards from the maritime war zone further north.

Iran, which attacked the Soviet freighter Ivan Koroteyev on May 6 after it had sailed from Kuwait. has warned Kuwait against help-ing Iraq or asking Moscow or Washington for help.

At the time, Moscow called the attack "piratic."
In April, Moscow announced it had agreed to lease three tankers

to Kuwait.

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Diversion of Iran arms funds was act of desperation — Secord

NEW YORK (Agencies) --- Retired General Richard Secord said in an interview published Sunday that the diversion to Nicaraguan rebels of profits from U.S. arms sales to Iran was more an act of desperation than a planned strategy.

In an interview with the New York Times, Gen. Secord was quoted as saying that after Congress cut off aid to the contra rebels in 1985, their arms supply system "was a laugh."

Gen. Secord said he was then enlisted by former White House aide Lieuienant Colonel Oliver North to organise an airlift for rebeis fighting in Nicaragua.

Gen. Secord described the arrangement as one in which he would supervise the airlift while Col. North would raise the money to pay for it.

That was the biggest single question," Gen. Secord was quoted as saving. "I said, 'I'll try it, but you are going to have to raise millions to support this. He (North) was very optimistic about his ability to raise millions from

various channels. Col. North did not carry out his part of the plan and left the operation chronically short of money, the newspaper quoted Gen. Secord as saying.

Gen. Secord said that in April. 1985, he sent a message to Col. North saying the contra operation was out of money and that the only option was to cash a \$2 million certificate of deposit meant to cover insurance for the flights to Iran.

There was no other choice. It was either that or walk away in failure." Gen, Secord told the

WASHINGTON (R) - Con-

gressional hearings on the Iran-

contra affair have shown that

Ronald Reagan, already widely

regarded as "lame duck" presi-

dent, was more deeply involved than he has admitted, according

They say the current hearing

by House of Representatives and

Senate committees into the arms-

for-Iran scandal, which shook the

White House, has further tar-

nished Mr. Reagan's image and

for Mr. Reagan," Norman Orn-

stein of the private American

Enterprise Institute, a close

observer of the presidency, told

Veteran political analyst Mark Shields bluntly said: "The hear-

ings show Reagan is not going to

Congressional interrogators

have been probing Mr. Reagan's

role in the affair, a disaster for his

administration, in which arms

were sold to Iran and the pro-

ceeds passed on to Nicaraguan

contra rebels at a time when

Congress had temporarily banned

Mr. Reagan had been among

come back from this affair."

There are rocky times ahead

reduced his effectiveness.

Reuters.

such aid.

to political experts.

He said that in the end Col. North found more money and the

certificate was not cashed. Gen. Secord later diverted some money that had been deposited to pay for an Iran arms shipment that was delayed for several months, the paper said.

The New York Times also reported Sunday that a key figure in the Iran-contra scandal, Robert C. Dutton, has been granted im-munity by the special prosecutor investigating the affair.

Mr. Dutton helped run the private network to supply the Nicaraguan contra rebels and has been linked to the shipment of U.S. arms to Iran last year, the

newspaper said. It quoted a federal investigator as saving Mr. Dutton, a retired air force colonel, was a "potential gold mine" for the special pro-secutor, Lawrence E. Walsh. An associate of Mr. Dutton

said the former officer could provide new information indicating links between the contra supply effort and officials on the staff of Vice President George Bush, the

report said. It said he had extensive contacts with Col. North.

Iran hearings 'further crippling' Reagan

profits to the contras.

the scandal.

nothing illegal.

'Outside of North and Secord, nobody knows more about this mess than Dutton," the newspaper quoted an investigator as

The report said Mr. Dutton had appeared before a grand jury

November his standing plunged.

emerged that Mr. Reagan, 76,

was involved in the possibly illeg-

al scheme to divert Iran arms sale

Even so, analysts say the hear-

ings have destroyed his initial

defence that he was aloof and

uninformed about bis own fore-

ign policy and hence unsullied by

the contras but insisting be did

So far, no firm evidence has

the most popular presidents but hostages in Lebanon. Mr. after the scandal broke last Reagan said he could not remem-

The White House bas been he wanted a job done," Mr. forced to adopt a new strategy— McFarlane said, adding that he

admitting Mr. Reagan was heavi- gave Mr. Reagan "any significant

ly involved in decisions to support information that I got on private

"Reagan's first defence was that he was, in effect, stupid, not cultable, but the first reference was — Mr. Reagan met Sandi Arathat he was, in effect, stupid, not bia's King Fahd in February 1985,

culpable, but the first witnesses after which Saudi Arabia agreed

have certainly not questioned his to double its support for the intelligence." said politics expert contras to \$2 million a month.

ber such a plan.

had seized.

within the past three weeks and has been interviewed for several hours hy investigators working for Walsh.

President Reagan said Saturday that he had "never done anything" that encroached upon or violated a congressional ban on direct or indirect military aid to Nicaraguan rebels, although he does not think that measure applied to him.

Mr. Reagan was asked at a White House reception about an interview published in the May 25 edinon of U.S. News and World Report.

Mr. Reagan told the magazine, there is nothing in the law (the Boland Amendment) that prevents citizens — individuals or groups - from offering aid of whatever kind they wanted to ... and my interpretation was that it was not restrictive on the national security adviser or National Security Council."

The magazine also quoted Mr. Reagan as saying that the amendment, which is no longer in effect and had differing provisions at different times, never prohibited him from asking others for aid to the contra rebels fighting Nicaragua's leftist Sandinista govern-

The amendment is named for its sponsor, Democratic Representative Edward Boland.

The president was asked at the reception whether his remarks meant he believed the amendment did not apply to him. "It so bappens that it does not

apply to me, but I have never

done anything that encroaches on

When asked whether it would

Mr. Reagan ordered his

staff to help the contras to "hold

body and soul together" after

Congress banned aid and perso-

nally intervened with the head of

an unnamed Central American

country, identified by congres-

sional sources as Honduras, to

unblock a contra arms shipment it

."The president made clear that

or violates it," Mr. Reagan said.

be indirect assistance, if he, as president, asked soemeone else to supply the contras with the type of aid prohibited by the amendment, Mr. Reagan replied: "I didn't ask." In other developments

Saturday: — A former U.S. mercenary Jack Terrell, said contra leader Adolfo Calero asked him in December 1984 to devise a plot to kill rival contra leader Eden Pastora, the providence journal reported. Terrell said Robert Owen, the associate of Lt.-Col. Oliver North who testified on Capitol Hill on Thursday,

attended the meeting.

— Former National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane speculated in an interview broadcast by National Public Radio that the late CIA director, William Casey, may have known for several years that he was dying and that may have prompted him to take a more active role in Iran-contra matters.

Mr. McFarlane, who testified last week before the congressional hearing, said he believed Mr. Casey, "determined that he wanted to do one or two things for which he knew he would have to accept history's judgment, but things that he believed were right and would benefit the country and his president."

Mr. Casey collapsed from brain seizure in December, just before he was scheduled to testify before a congressional panel on the Iran-contra affair. He underwent surgery for a cancerous brain tumour, resigned as CIA boss on Feh. 2 and died on May

Turkey lifts martial law in 4 provinces

ANKARA (AP) - The National Security Council has said it would lift martial law in four south eastern provinces.

The announcement from the council of military and civilian leaders said martial law will end July 19 in the south east provinces of Digarbakir, Hakkari, Mardin The council recommended to

substitute emergency rule in those four provinces for an interim period of four months, aid to the contras, briefing him | bringing the number of provinces under emergency rule to nine, including Istanbul. Emergency rule differs from

martial law in that emergency powers are exercised by civilian provincial governors instead of military commanders. The conneil decision means

that all of Turkey will be free of martial law for the first time in 8½ years. Martial law first was proc-

laimed in 13 of Turkey's 67 provinces in December 1978 follow-

UAE rejects foreign protection for ships

BAHRAIN (Agencies) — The United Arab Emirates (UAE) on Sunday rejected foreign warship escorts for its vessels against Ira-nian attacks in the Gulf.

The rejection was contained in a statement denying that the government requested British warship escorts for tankers and freighters plying its ports, as reported by some news organisa-

"The UAE sees no reason to ask for foreign protection of its vessels," said a statement carried by the official Emirates News Agency and attributed to responsible government sources.

"Such fabricated reports do not serve relations between the UAE and its friends."

The agency also reported that the commander of the U.S. naval task force in the Gulf region, Admiral Harold Bernsen, called on UAE Chief of Staff Major General Mohammad Saad Al Badi on Sunday.

Adm. Bernsen, whose destroyer La Salle leads the sevenunit task force patrolling the Gulf, also called on Emirates Navy Commander Brigadier Hamed Sabet, the agency said. It reported that "friendly con-

versations and souvenirs were exchanged" at both meetings. 5 killed in Sudanese

tribal clash

KHARTOUM (R) — Five people were killed in fighting after a member of one Sudanese tribed urinated on the house of another, the official Sndan News Agency SUNA reported Sunday.

It said several people were also injured in the clash between Dinka and Arab tribesmen in Sudan's central province, which resulted in 29 arrests by police. The independent daily newspap-er Al Ayam said the clash began

when a Dinka urinated on the wall of a house belonging to a member of the Arab Slamat tribe. Tension is high between Arab tribesmen and the Dinkas, sonthern Sudan's principal tribe and

the mainstay of the Sudan Peo-

ple's Liberation Army (SPLA). which is seeking autonomy for the mainly pagan and Christian south from the Muslim north. The government arms the Arab tribes to fight SPLA. Diplomats in Khartoum say the weapons

have been used to settle old tribal SCOTES. The government is under pressure to probe a massacre of Dinka civilians by government-backed Arab militiamen in March.

Witnesses to the massacre said at least 1,500 people were killed but government officials have put the figure at 200-300.

Shatila massacre survivors sue Israeli military attache in U.S.

survivors have filed suit in the U.S. district court for Washington, D.C. against Israeli military attache to the United States, Maj.-Gen. Amos Yaron, an ADC press release reported.

The complaint seeks damages against Gen. Yaron for "the wrongful torture and murder" of the plaintiffs' relatives and "for injuries to the plaintiffs at the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps in Lebanon in September 1982." The named plainfiffs in the case are Fatimeh Ali Aidi, Zeineb Sa'ad, and Samia Khatib.

The American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC), has been tracking the progress of law suits brought by victims of war crimes and decided late last year to facilitate this action on behalf of the Palestinian victims when Gen. Yaron was granted a diplomatic appointment in

Then Brigadier General Yaron was stripped of his military field. command in 1983 as a result of his complicity in the Sabra and Shatila massacre. In 1986 he was rewarded by the Israeli government with a promotion to the rank of major general and an appointment as military attache to Washington.

The complaint details the facts of the massacre citing the report issued by the official Israeli investigation referred to as the Kahan

Commission, and explains that: 'The Kahan Commission. established by the government of Israel to investigate the responsibility of Israeli officials for the Sabra and Shatila massacres, found that the defendant Brigadier General Yaron, in performing his duties as the commander of the Israeli forces occupying the her mother thereafter managed area of the camps, did not properly evaluate and did not check reports that reached him concerning acts of killings and other

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — information to the General Op-Three Sabra-Shatila massacre erations Command to the chief of erations Command to the chief of staff immediately after it had been received on Sept. 16,1982, and did not take appropriate steps to stop the Falangists actions and to protect the population in the camps immediately upon receiving the reports. The commission found he had committed a 'grave error' in 'breach of the duties incumbent upon him by virtue of his position, and recommended that he not serve in the capacity of field commander in the Israeli army for three

> In addition to the Kahan report, the complaint relies on the detailed affidavits of the survivors, including that of Zeineb Sa'ad as described below:

vears.

"On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1982, at approximately 6:00 p.m., the plaintiff Zeineb Sa'ad was at her home in the Shatila camp, with her mother, father, and sister. At that time, a group of armed men came to their home, and removed plaintiff's father to another room on the first floor ostensibly for the purpose of interrogating him. Shortly thereafter plaintiff and ber mother and sister heard cries, and went to the first floor to see what was going on. Plaintiff saw the armed men standing over the body of her father, who had been struck with an axe on his head dividing the head in two. When the plaintiff's sister Afaf Sa'ad saw the body of their father, Afaf began to cry out loud with all ber strength. Plaintiff then saw one of the armed men shoot her sister Afaf, after which another of the armed men struck Afaf's head with the axe. The armed men put Afaf's body next to that of their father, and then left the house. The plaintiff Zeineb Sa'ad and

The, plaintiffs and their deceased relatives were civilian resi-

to escape from the Shatila

sons" under the terms of the Hague Convention and the Fourth Geneva Convention. As commander of the Israeli occupying forces in west Beirut. Gen. Yaron was not only responsible for plaintiffs' protection, but was also liable for any reprisals, the physical suffering and the extermination of civilia residents, the press release said.

The complaint also charges Gen. Yaron with being individual. ly culpable for the actions of the Falangists against the survivors under the Nuremberg Principles, which define and outlaw war crimes and crimes against homanity.

In addition, this action further relies npon U.S. supreme court precedents which hold that an official or commander is responsi ble for war crimes when he had actual knowledge, or should have had knowledge, through reports received by him that troops or other persons subject to his control are about to commit or have committed war crimes, and fails to take the necessary and reasonable steps to ensure compliance with the law of war. The complaint alleges that the forces which committed the massacre were under Gen. Yaron's control and that he did nothing to stop it even though he knew it was tak-

mg place. In light of Gen. Yaron's grave breach of duty, the plaintiffs suffered damages by reason of the wrongful death of their relatives, emotional distress, suffering and loss of property.

Gen. Yaron's position with the Israeli embassy does not entitle him to diplomatic immunity under the Fourth Geneva Convention which expressly waives such protection for those alleged to have committed grave breaches of that convention. Also, under the Nuremberg Principles two governments cannot irregular actions of the Falangists dents of the refugee camps and, in the camps, did not pass on that as such, were "protected per-

CAABU urges U.K. parties to exclude Mideast conflict from domestic politics

Understanding (CAABU) has issued an open letter to the leaders of the main British political parties, urging that the conflict in the Middle East should not be exploited in the general election for am in domestic policie a CAABU press release received in Amman said.

The press release quoting CAABU Director David Watkins

bers of all the mam parties as well as many who have no specific party affiliation. It is our concern that conflict in the Middle East should not be exploited for poli- what is clearly their own repretical gain in domestic politics and sentative organisation, the Palesthat those who uphold the rights of the Palestinian people should (PLO). There is also recognition not be unfairly and unjustifiably worldwide that the PLO must be

attacked for doing so. "Your attention is especially in the Middle East.

LONDON - The Council for the said: "Among its members and drawn to the recognition, world-Advancement of Arab-British supporters, CAABU has ment wide, that the Palestinian people have been and continue to be special victims of conflict," Mr. Watkins was quoted as saying.

"As a result, they have created tine Liberation Organisan involved in negotiations for peace

\$20,000 sought to publish Pollard's book

but did not elaborate.

a \$20,000 loan so he can publish a book by Pollard, a newspaper said Sunday.

Bernard Henderson also told the newspaper Maariv that his danghter, Anne Henderson-Pol-

TEL AVIV (AP) — The father-in-law of American spy Jonathan lard, was placed in solitary con-finement after fighting with wife was sentenced to five years for helping him. fight had anti-semitic overtones.

> Pollard, 32, a former U.S. civihan navy analyst, was sentenced selling up to 1,000 secret U.S. ing of support from Israelis.

Both_are Jewish, and Pollard has said he was motivated by a desire to help Israel. The couple's to life in prison in March for sentencing prompted an outpour-

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dozens of times.

Security Advisor Robert McFar-lane, who testified last week that: Solicited Saudi aid was incredible - Mr. Reagan personally and added: "This (assertion) has

approved a plan to pay \$2 million tarnished Reagan and eroded his in bribes and ransom to free U.S. greatest strength — candour." ern city of Kahramanmaras.

TODAY'S EVENTS

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"A King in New York" at 5:00 p.m. at the American Centre. **VIDEO**

"F. Brandel" at 4:00 p.m. at the French Cultural Centre.

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WHAT'S GOING ON

EXHIBITIONS

An exhibition of children's books and crafts at the Friends of Children Club in Jabai Luweibdeh (until Stay 18).

* An exhibition of Arabic calligraphy at the University of Iordan (until May

CULTURAL CENTRES

MUSEUMS

"Children's Beritage and Science Museum" Fun and knowledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Arts Centre. Open all week 9:10 a.m. · 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. · 6:10 p.m. Closed on Friday Folklore Museum: Jewelry and cosroundre Masseam: Jewerty 2nd cos-tumes over 100 years old. Also mosais-from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, An-man. Opening homrs 9.00 a.m. 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760. Year-round. 1cl. 031701.

Jordan Archaeological Museum: Hisan excellent collection of the anti-quities of Jordan. Jabel Al Qal'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. 5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.).

Jordan National Goffery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and scalptures by contemporary Islame artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Munta-rah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. 1.30 p.m. and 3.00 p.m.-6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tcl. 630128.

Martyrs' Memorial (Military

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Martyrs' Memorial (Military Museum): Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel. 664240.

SERVICE CLUBS

Lious Amunau Club. Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the Holiday Inn, 1:30 p.m.
Lious Philadelphia Club. Meetings every second and fourth Wednesday at the Ammon Hotel, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meetings every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn, 1:30 p.m.
Rotary Club. Meetings every Tuesday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 2:00 p.m.

p.m. Royal Antomobile Club. Jabal Antoman, Eighth Circle. Tel. 816534. CHURCHES St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Amman, Tel. 624590. Church of the Ammunication (Roman Catholic) Jabal Laweibdeh, Tel. 637440.

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De la Salle Church (Roman Catholic)
Jabal Hussein, Tel. 661757.
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Armenian Orthodox Church Ashra-fich, Tel. 775261.
St. Ephraian Church (Syrian Ortho-dox) Ashrafich. Tel. 771751.
Amman International Church (Inter-denominational): meets at Southern Baptist School in Shmeisani, Tel. 677534 Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ani-man, Arabic Service: Sunday 7:00 p.m., Rainbow Congregation, English Ser-vice: Saturday 6:30 p.m. Rev. N. Smir, Tel. 811295.

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Yarmouk University gets JD 6m syndicated loan

AMMAN (Petra) — Yarmonk Fahoum, Arab Bank general University is to receive a syndicated loan of JD 6 million repayable over five years with a grace period of 30 months, in accordance with an agreement signed in Amman Sunday.

The loan, guaranteed by the Jordanian government, was organised jointly by the Arab Bank and the Housing Bank. The agreement was signed for the government by Minister of Fi-nance Hanna Odeh and Central Bank Governor Hussein Al Qassem. It was also signed by Yarmouk University President Mobammad Hamdan, director

The loan will help the university to meet its financial commitments arising from projects at the University of Science and Tech-nology, affiliated with Yarmouk University, and located in the north, near Irbid.

A spokesman for the Housing Bank said later that the bank had earlier contributed to the construction of facilities at Yarmouk University and the University of Science and Technology by loan-

ing them JD 4 million.

He said that with the new loan the Housing Bank will have thus general of Housing Bank Zuhair far granted both uni Khouri and Mr. Munther Al total of JD 7 million. far granted both universities a

Housing Corporation allots 3,500 Abu Nuseir units

AMMAN (Petra) - The Housing Corporation has distributed all of the 3,500 housing units at the Abn Nuseir housing estate, west of here, to government em-ployees 300 units will be offered for sale to retired personnel and. the private sector, corporation: director Sbafiq Zawaideh announced Sunday.

These 300 units will be sold to those willing to pay 10 per cent of the cost of the homes in advance. This is unlike the case of government employees who have been exempted from making an adv-anced payment, Mr. Zawaideh pointed out.

After the government revised their prices earlier this year and dropped the requirement for advance payment, many more govemment employees bought the housing. Mr. Zawaideh said that beneficiaries were allowed to spread instalments over 30 years.

5.5 per cent annually. The Housing Corporation bas built a road to link the housing estate with the main two lane road going to Yajouz highway and installed basic services like water supply and electricity.
According to Mr. Zawaideb's

Sunday's statement, half of the estate have not yet been supplied with electricity, but work is underway on the project.

The Housing Corporation had earlier reached agreement with the Ministry of Health to open a health clinic and another with the Public Transport Corporation to operate a regular hus service to Abu Nuseir housing estate.

The housing units were built on only half of the land allotted for the project carried out by Chinese and French contracting firms. According to Mr. Zawaideh the other half will be instead of 25 with an interest of put up for sale to the public.



digital telephone exchange at Marj Al Hamam (Petra photo) Minister of Communications Muhieddine Al Husseini (third left) and Japan's Ambassador to Jordan Akira Nakayama (second left) Sunday tour a new

World Health Assembly accepts Jordan's plan for smoke-free day

GENEVA (Petra) — The World
Health Assembly (WHA) has deThe WHA cided to consider April 7 each year as a day free of smoking throughout the world. The decision was in response to a Jordanian proposal that requested that member states of the World Health Organisation (WHO) observe a non-smoking day on April 7 during which all governments ban the selling of cigarettes in their countries in an attempt to

convince people to stop smoking. The proposal was made during the WHA meetings in Geneva which ended Sunday and attended by delegates from around the world. Jordan was represented by Health Minister

The WHA appealed to all tobacco producers around the world to stop all advertising activity, especially in the developing nations. It also called on media around the world to refrain from

publishing tobacco or cigarettes. The WHA decision was included in a statement which also urged world nations and organisations to work to curb the use of alcohol in medicine and drugs, to reduce the incidents of diarrhoea through improvement in nutrition, and also to encourage breast feeding and the use of purified water for drinking.

The statement also urged nations to spread inoculation

WHO to mark 40th anniversary

The statement called on WHO member nations to mark next year, which is the organisation's 40th anniversary, with activities and programmes designed to highlight the need for primary health care and to form national committees in each country to celebrate the occasion.

ft said that the Universal Postal Union (UPU) is expected to issue special postage stamps in the coming year to mark the WHO anniversary. The statement was issued on

the eve of the start of the WHO's executive committee's 80th meeting. The committee will make a comprehensive assessment of the organisation's world-wide activity and prepare topics for discussion by the WHO's general assembly m May 1988.

Minister inaugurates telephone exchange in Marj Al Hamam

TCC director marks Telecommunications Day

AMMAN (J.T.) — Minister of Communications Muhieddine Al Husseini inaugurated the Marj Al Hamam new digital telephone exchange on Sunday.

The inauguration was attended by Mohammad Shahid Ismail, the director general of Jordan Telecommunications Corporation (TCC), the Japanese ambassador to Jordan, Mr. Akira Nakayama, m addition to guests and TCC

This exchange was executed by the TCC as part of the five-year plan. This new exchange was put into commercial service on the 30th of April 1987 when some 1,030 snhscribers (previously served by Wadi Essir exchange)

were cutover to this new ex-The installed exchange employs up-to-date techniques by the Japanese industry in the field of digital exchanges. It has an initial capacity of 6,000 subscribers which can be expanded gradually up to almost 40,000 subscribers. The exchange is characterised by a multi-processor control system which makes it possible to evenly distribute the

multi-processors. The inauguration of Marj El Hamam switch coincides with the TCC's celebrating World Telecommunication Day, May l7. 1987.

heavy traffic volume among these

TCC is now completing the subscribers outside plant network m Marj El Hamam town with some 10,000 lines covering all Marj El Hamam town, the housing estates of the Ministry of Education, the Royal Jordanian and Hamzah besides Um Abbarah.

It is expected that TCC will be able to serve new subscribers gradually in Marj El Hamam exchange as of the end of this month. The cost of the switch

totalled around JD 1.6 million, while the cost of the subscriber networks totalled around JD 1.7

The implementation of this exchange is one of the TCC projects to be implemented under the 4th Japanese loan, whereby Abdali exchange has been recently put into commercial service which cost JD 3.6 million with an initial capacity of 20,000 subscribers expandable to 40,000 subscribers. The Japanese loan amounts to ss6 million

The other projects which TCC is completing under the 4th Japanese loan are:

implementation of local networks in Wadi Essir, Sweileb and

- an integrated overall network covering Karak and Tafila gov-ernorates serving 7g towns and communities with an initial capacity of 10,000 subscribers expandable to 20,000 subscribers.

— expansion of Marka, Sweileb, Wadi Essir, Karak and Aqaba existing exchanges with 29.6 thousand telephone numbers

Most of the above projects in the different areas are expected to be completed and put into commercial use by the end of

The Japanese amhassador spoke on the occasion praising the level of cooperation between his country and Jordan in telecommunications fields. He described the project as the fruit of cooperation between two friendly

The minister of communications said in his speech that the project translates the govern-

and improve the quality of tele-phone services in the Kingdom. Mr. Ismail voiced the TCC's deep appreciation for the level of cooperation between Japan and

Mr. Ismail also addressed the gathering to commemorate

orld Telecommunications Day. He made the following remarks: "Telecommunications in the services of nations' has been the theme chosen this year to cele-hrate, today, May 17, the 19th World Telecommunication Day which coincides with the date of signature in Paris, in 1865, of the first International Telegraph Convention which set up the International Telecommunications Union (ITU).

"In the message received from the 1TU secretary general, a target has been identified in the following paragraph:"It is for each country to design

and construct its telecommunications infrastructure in such a way to realise national objectives set to meet the needs of the population. In the year 2000, every inhabitant of our planet should be having, in practice, access to basic telecommunication facilities with all the advantages they offer.

"In this context, we could say that hy the end of the new five-year plan 1986-1990 and provided the required finance has been secured in due time, the TCC will be able to meet this target more than half way.

The target as planned will enable TCC to offer most modern services to some 500,000 customers residing in some 695 towns and villages with an overall rate of penetration of 16.3%. This same rate when measured by the other criteria (i.e. number of telephones per bousehold) will yield a rate of penetration of 99.5%, which is not a very long ment's determination to expand way away from the ITU target.

External forces key to Lebanon's war -

By Salamek B. Ne matt Jordan Times Staff Reporter AMMAN — A senior Lebanese diplomat has cited the Palestinian presence in his country and the external exploitation of Lebanon's "liberal democratic system" to be among the chief causes that sparked the contioning 33 year old, war.
Frad 44 Juris, secretary generated the Laborese Enterin Ministry, attributed the continuation of

the Palestinian problem, violation of the country's sovereignty by regional and other powers, international meddling and East-West polarisation.

Addressing Jordanian officials,
Arab ambassadors and intellectuals at the World Affairs Council on Saturday evening, Mr. Turk ambitions to divide the region asserted that without the coop-along ethnic and sectarian lines."

the war to the present Israeli

occupation of South Lebanon,

eration of regional recon-tional powers, national reconciliation is not possible. "If the problem was only in Lebanon," Mr. Turk said, "it would have ended long ago. We

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. It was not known yesterday

would be made today, or whether

There is no official figure for the total number of eligible voters

in the Kingdom, but estimates

ave been completed.

Lebanese diplomat said, explaining that "if the external elements did not cooperate, the problem

would persist.' Mr. Turk said that Lebanon had also been "the victim of the great burden which the presence of hundreds of thousands of Palestinians on its land," He said this presence resulted in "demog-This impalances that directly influenced the nation's policy: especially as there had been violations of the country's unity and its authority."

Mr. Turk said that as a result, Lebanon became "the victim of Israel's aggressive policy, espe-Israel's so-called preventive blows against Lebanese political as well as military targets." He said the Jewish state bad "clear

On the effects of the Palestine question on Lebanon, Mr. Turk said: "The Lebanese crisis is at the centre of the Middle East problem, because of the injustice that accompanied the establishhave reached several agreements ment of Israel at the expense of the beginning of the war, but they were not effective," the Israeli expansionist policy and the

dedicated four hours of the ses-

sion to discussing the subject of

parliamentary elections. The meeting was described by a

cabinet member as "very fruit-

ful." The minister, who asked for

anonymity, did not elaborate, although he indicated the govern-

ment was in favour of holding

parliamentary elections.

Parliament's present four-year

term ends by mid-January. But according to the Constitution, the

King is empowered to extend

parliament's term for one or two

Electioneering by eager candi-

dates and their supporters, and

an intense media campaign prom-

oting voter registration as well as

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governors, mayors, dignitaries and beads of professional associa-

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their democratic rights, showed results as they were cited by many

as the main driving force behir.

adopted for the impending par-liamentary elections, will need one more month to be finalised

after the various parties con-

cerned in the process complete

Amman Governor Mohammad

Ali Al Amin on Sunday con-

firmed that a total of 282,108

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the high turnout.

their review.

Palestinian armed strnggle against it caused imbalances in Lebanon especially because of Israeli aggressions on its terri-

He warned that if not contained by all parties involved, the strife in Lebanon could expand to effect the security and stability of

other countries in the region.

In a debate that followed the lecture. Mr. Turk stressed that the Lebanese people did not hold j all the cards to end the civil strife. He said that other Arab states needed to help by formulating a clear policy on Lebanon through the convening of an Arab sum-"If the Arab element was mit. settled, the other issues would be more flexible," be said.

On his country's relations with Syria, Mr. Turk said that Beirut had "a special relationship" with Damascus and that the two countries shared "common ambitions and destiny."

Proposals and drafts on shared rule in the Lebanese government are currently under negotiations by all factions, Mr. Turk said. The focus, he added, is on reaching a formula that would guarantee "proper" representation in the running of the country and changes in the decision-making process. The negotiations, under Syrian auspices, are concerned with reshaping and defin-ing the powers of the president, the prime minister, and parlia-

ment. Commenting on Mr. Turk's statements, Foreign Minister Taher Masri who was attending the lecture, said he believed that a solution to the Lebanese problem "has to come from the inside." Mr. Masri said that apart. Palestinians."

from Syria and Israel, "other forces are secondary and could be contained." He said be believed that other forces were able to manipulate developments in Lebanon because of internal divisions that were exploited by these

Mr. Turk agreed but said that "the internal national will is not 100 per cent free. There has to be a liberation from israeli occupation and interference in internal Lebanese affairs," be

Commenting on the previous agreements which bave been ineffective in Lebanon, Mr. Masri said that such agreements failed because they were never allowed to er. or the domain of practical pobtics.

Mr. Turk, a Roman Catholic Christian, said that he disagreed with the principle of dividing power along religious and ethnic lines. "I bave never been able to establish a link between my position and my religious denomination," be said.

Mr. Marwan Dudin, minister of occupied territories affairs; who attended the lecture, expressed reservation towards Mr. Turk's statements on the Palestiman presence in Lebanon. The minister said that "Lebanese politicians should cease to think that the 300,000 Palestinians in Lebanon would go as soon as a solution to the Palestine question is reached."

He said: "the problem of Palestinian presence only comes from excesses which in Jordan we were able to handle firmly and wisely. We never thought about where are we going to go with

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Mr. Majali said that the proected remote sensing centre will be of use to the country in the fields of agriculture, water conservation, regional planning and meteorology, among other fields.
This centre, he said, is part of

up maps and is at present storing. maps in its data bank for use by planners and decision-makers. Mr. Majali pointed out that the JRGC bas recruited and trained personnel and technicians in cartography at the centre, which was originally established with French

Mr. Majali noted that the

JRGC which was established in 1975 has been of immense help for different departments providing maps and atlases. the JRGC's contribution towards

people were registered as voters throughout Amman governorate by closing time yesterday.

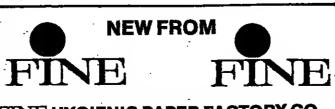
Mr. Amin said there was an increase of 110,000 in the number of voters who registered in the governorate during the 1984 hyelections in contrast to this time, registering thus "excellent progress." This rise indicates that the

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dom earlier last week, there bas been a sharp rise in the number of eligible voters registering in the ast several days. Many officials and observers attribute this to expected changes in registration patterns, but also to reports of micrasing support for holding uncreasing support for holding parliamentary elections this year.

likely than not that parliamentary clections would be held before the end of this year. Their state-ments reflected the government's Mand on the issue; that elections are inevitable unless unexpected

that Sainmay's cabinet meeting said.

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eration of regional and interna-**Voter registration ends**

Kingdom have been counted, the Ministry of Interior is expected to amornice the figure.

whether the announcement it will be held until all legal procedures connected with it

hover over the number of 1.2 Afthough the 14-day voter reg-istration, period coincided with the holy month of Ramadan, the registration process was termed as "highly successful" by the under-secretary of the Ministry of Interior, Mr. Ahmad Akaileh. He vid the Jordan Times: "This successful turnout surpassed previous expectations that the voter

registration process would be much slower during Ramadan." In contrast with the relatively slow pace of voter registration witnessed throughout the King-

> Several cabinet members have recently stated that it was more

Table turned on Israel

EVER since the inception of the Palestinian problem, the Arabs were accused of being the side opposed to a peaceful solution of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Throughout these years, the sophisticated Israeli inda machine succeeded in conveying the impression that the propaganda machine succeeded in conveying the impression that are Arabs had repeatedly rejected all peace overtures to end Arab-Israeli hostility and are therefore responsible for the stalemate in peace efforts in the Middle East. The Western world, in particular, accepted Israeli allegations of face value and joined Israel in putting the blame for not achieving peace in our region squarely on the shoulders of the Arabs. The Arab World tried in vain to set the record straight and failed in its repeated attempts to point out the positive Arab responses to the various peace initiatives put on the table by the international community, whether through the United Nations or through the Non-Aligned Movement or the European Community. Even those peace efforts introduced by the United States, which is traditionally Israel's arcb ally in the area, were rendered obsolete and inoperational by po other party than Israel itself.

It would be beyond our scope here to chronicle all the peace initiatives that the Arabs accepted and the Israelis rejected. But think, if you like, of the only peace agreement that Israel had signed with an Arab country, namely Egypt, which came within the framework of the Camp David accords. Jordan together with the rest of the Arab World opposed these accords at the time they were negotiated and concluded on the premise that the agreements were not sound enough to lead to general peace between the Arabs and Israel. Israel at the time used Arab opposition to the accords to its maximum advantage, claiming all the time that the Arabs were at it again, sahotaging all peace efforts in the area. But after nearly a decade, the Arab assessment has proven right and there is still no peace between the Arabs and Israel; this is so because the Begin government signed the Camp David accords only to isolate Egypt and to pave the way for Israeli ameration of the West Bank and Gaza.

Today, the picture looks considerably different; and even the mighty Israeli propaganda machine cannot hide the fact that it is Israel which is blocking all efforts to reach a comprehensive settlement to the Palestinian problem. Whoever has been following the debate in Israel on the proposed international conference over the past weeks will realise this instantly. The Israeli foreign minister, who represents a major part in the Israeli body politic and who until recently was prime minister admits that it is his own government which has been blocking attempts to hold such a conference, and is thereby missing an

"unprecedented opportunity" to make peace with the Arabs.

It is not all due to the failure of the Israeli propaganda machine that we are seeing this new and different picture in the Middle East today. The exposure to the whole world of an intransigent and rejectionist Israel, as opposed to intransigent and rejectionist Arabs in the past, is the truth that should have come out into the open long ago.

But besides that, thanks to the persistent and tireless efforts by Arab diplomacy, spearheaded by Jordan, that we today bave a changed picture of the political outlook in the Middle East. This is also an opportunity for the Arabs to see and seize, in order to step up the pressure for the restoration of their full rights.

ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Hopes for a summit

THE need for an Arab summit meeting has become a necessity in view of the fast moving developments world-wide and in the Middle East and also in the light of Israel's intransigence. The summit is needed to re-fuse solidarity among Arab countries which together can work towards the establishment of a lasting peace in the region. The process of peace is still being hampered largely due to Israel's intransigence, and Washington's indifference which is tantamount to collusion with the Israeli aggressors. This is cause for unified Arab stand which can come only through a summit meeting attended by Arab leaders who should shoulder their responsibility towards their nation. One cannot deny the need for due preparations for such a summit if the Arab leaders are to arrive at constructive plans, but one should also realise that Israel, the common enemy, is now benefitting. from the time element and continues to take steps for prolonging the occupation of Arab land. The time is opportune for holding the Arab summit in view of the fact that differences among Arab states have now diminished as was clearly pointed out recently by Arab League Secretary General Chadli Klibi. For its part, Jordan under King Hussein's leadership has been striving for such summit, and its moves have been favourable for Arab states. Let us hope that these moves will pave the way for a successful summit, capable of unifying Arab

Al Dustour: High time for a summit

THE Arab League Secretary General Chad Klibi has displayed optimism over the prospect of holding an early Arab summit meeting. This optimism is justified in view of the favourable political conditions in the Arab World and the diminishing differences that had been plauging inter-Arab relations. We believe that the diminishing prospects for holding an international conference on the Middle East due to Israel's intransigence should prompt the Arabs to take speedy measures for holding a summit meeting at which Arab leaders could together work out means of confronting the common enemy and the common challenges. Arab leaders should meet to define their priorities in the coming stage and should find means of attaining their objective to bring about a liberation of Arab land. We do not believe that such summit will be a remedy to all Arab ills. nor is it reasonable to think that the Arab leaders will be able to find solutions for all problems, but a meeting at the bighest level can at least take decisions for joint plans and joint action which constitute a key to solutions. We share Mr. Klibi's optimism, and we are full of hope that his efforts to convene a summit will be crowned with

Sawt Al Shaab: Resistance will continue

AS the Israelis escalate their brutal and inhuman actions inside the occupied Arab territory, the Arab resistance continues to increase in intensity. The Zionists are going ahead with a two-pronged plan: To continue seizing Arab land and building colonies and refusing any talk about a lasting peace through an international conference. This strategy is clearly intended to cause total despair and hopelessness in the hearts of the Arab population under Israeli rule with the aim of forcing them to abandon their homeland. The Israelis have been rejecting ideas about comprehensive peace that can ensure the return of Arab land to its lawful owners and recognise the rights of the Palestinian people in their homeland. This stand, coupled with continued repression and terrorism conducted by Zionists against the Arab population, are clearly intended as a tool to destroy any chance of just peace. But the Arab people under Israeli rule who believe only in the struggle for freedom have been stepping up their resistance activity, and will continue to do so until they regain their rights and their usurped homeland.

Good ideas from old plans

By Dr. Waleed Sa'di

WITH nothing concrete to look forward to yet in terms of a settlement of the Palestinian conflict, it has become fashionable now to look backward and search to see if history books contain any thing that could be built on for the future. That's exactly what I found myself doing when, in Canada, I entered a library to look again at the U.N. General Assembly resolution of Nov. 29, 1947, which had partitioned Palestine. It is the very resolution for which we shed tears now and often become nostalgic to its era, when the cards were not stacked up so badly against the Arab side. I, like many others, began to romanticise about that all but forgotten resolution and often found myself wondering if a postmortem on the partition plan could still be bad with a view to search for ideas, albeit old ideas, to resolve the Palestinian case which bad eluded all efforts thus far to solve it for all times.

Maybe it is the old age of the resolutions which made me oblivious of the true contents of that resolution of the U.N. General Assembly which divided up Palestine between Arabs and Jews after determining that they cannot sbare it and live under one roof for all times. I was therefore flabbergasted to discover upon a fresb pursuit of its language the full dimension of that resolution and bow elaborate and lengthy its provisions were and bow painstakingly it attempted to reconcile the irreconcilables. Hitherto, all that I could remember of the resolutions was that it bad partitioned Palestine, effective articulation of well-elaborated guidelines and principles which were unduly brushed aside by both Arabs and Jews. Curiously enough, there was nothing in the resolution which

little did I remember that the resolution was a piece of art and an

made its relevancy and validity dependent on Arab acceptance or rejection. And since Israeli legitimacy from a legal point of view rests firmly on that resolution, it could be most pertinent to recall again some of the salient features of that resolution which the Jews of Palestine stood guilty of trespassing it by deeds as the Arabs stood guilty of breaching it by words. That resolution, however, remains valid and lawful since it had not been repeated, repudiated or superceded by any U.N. resolution. On strictly legal grounds, there is nothing in the records which could suggest that the fate of the resolution was altered lawfully and legally

Although the partition resolution, as it came to be commonly called, merely recommended, to the then mandatory power Great Britain and the other U.N. members, the adoption and implementation of the plan of partition, it did not rest there. Otherwise one could always submit that the recommendations of the General Assembly of the U.N. are mere recommendations and therefore not legally binding. However, the interesting part about the partition plan was that it requested the Security Council of the U.N. to take the necessary measures for the implementation of the partition plan. Curiously enough, I do not know of any other U.N. General Assembly resolution which made explicit demands on the Security Council, which according to the U.N. Charter and established practice enjoys distinct powers and authority viewed generally as superior to those of the General Assembly in the sense that they are mandatory and legally binding. As the most powerful organ of the U.N., the Security Council is not answerable as such to the General Assembly and does not take orders from it. But there we are, in the partition plan the General Assembly went as far as to request the Security Council to act with a view to implement the partition plan. Furthermore, the Security Council was requested. repeat requested, to regard any attempt to alter the partition plan by force as an act of aggression and as a threat to peace in breach of article 39 of the U.N. Charter. Then suddenly the General Assembly softened its tone when it merely appealed to all governments and people to refrain from taking any action which might hamper or delay the implementation of the partition plan.

And although the partition plan envisaged two independent states, one Jewish and the other Arab, nevertheless, it called for an economic union between the two. The economic union was elaborated rather extensively and made to look like something resembling the association between the member countries of the European Common Market. For Jerusalem the resolution recommended an international regime, but interestingly enough, not of a permanent nature. The partition plan in the resolution called for a review of the international status of Jerusalem after the clapse of

Can this partition plan be resuscitated into life again after so many years and be made a basis for a permanent and durable resolution of the Palestinian conflict is a question more on the minds of academicians than policy makers. But one thing however remains valid and relevant for all times and for all minds: The legal dimensions of that resolution must at one time or another be addressed and reckoned with since the resolution constitutes still the legal foundation on which Israel's call for legitimacy rests.

What American newspapers say about int'l peace conference

Following are excerpts from editorials appearing in three major American newspapers commenting on the proposed international conference on the Middle East:

The Washington Post: Toward a Mideast conference A Mideast peace mirage?

AN international conference on peace in the Middle East? Suddenly one looks possible...

The idea could yet be stillborn in Israel, whose two ruling parties are in conflict on it. Likud bas a fundamental resistance to entering any process that would get in the way of annexing the West Bank, as any serious initiative must. But Labour, which is open to territorial compromise, has gone far to meet worthier objections and in particular to ensure that a conference would quickly launch direct face-to-face negotiations and that it would not be empowered to impose a settlement...

It is the 20th anniversary of the 1967 war. What drives the search for Israeli-Palestinian peace is not so much a single urgency as a pervasive now-or-never sense that it's pointless and dangerous to let the status quo endure. This conference idea grew in the vacuum created by the Reagan administration's default on its own Mideast plan of 1982. Still, the administration, eager for political as well as policy reasons to recoup, has provided quiet belp. A conference is worth pursuing, cautiously.

Boston Globe:

SKEPTICS, both in Israel and the Arah World, suspect that Peres is using the mirage of a peace conference to play politics. Peres wants to make peace with Jordan and to return some conquered land to Jordanian sovereignty, thus excluding the PLO from the peace process. Jordan, bowever, cannot defy Arab League resolutions defining the PLO as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

The capital most eager for an international conference seems to be Moscow. Filling a void in Mideast diplomacy created by the Reagan administration's lassitude, the Soviets have played a role in unifying the PLO. They have encouraged their Syrian client Hafez Assad toward reconciliation with both Yasser Arafat and Iraq; and they have even courted the conservative Gulf monarchies.

The most realistic hope for a peace settlement may lie in an international conference at which both Soviets and Americans tactfully impose an accord in the interests of all parties.

Los Angeles Times: Trading land for peace

SENIOR members of Israel's coalition government are now bitterly debating the ostensible issue of whether the country should take part in an international peace conference. The real question that divides cabinet and country, though, has little to do with the mechanics of the peacemaking process. The real question is whether, under an acceptable formula, Israel is prepared to give up control over significant parts of the territory it occupied during the war of 1967 in exchange for the chance of an historic transformation in relations with its Arab neighbours.

The Labour alignment, one major coalition partner, is ready to trade territory for peace, particularly on the West Bank provided that change does not produce an independent Palestinian state. The Likud bloc, the other major partner, says oo to such a swap. These opposed views embody the fundamental hope and fear of Israelis. The bope is that the 40-year-long state of war can be ended on the basis of territorial compromise. The fear is that if Israel yields some of its strategic depth and control it would be inviting future Arab

... Israel would do well to pursue this issue to a conclusion. At some point, perhaps a distant point, a chance for peace based on territorial compromise may emerge. Israel's political hand would be immeasurably strengthened if the principle of trading land for peace had already been shown to have clear popular support.

Probe exposes covert Reagan agenda, legality still murky

By Sue Baker

WASHINGTON - The first two weeks of congressional hearings exposed as never before the farflung web of President Reagan's secret foreign policy agenda but

left its legality as murky as ever. The first four witnesses provided the closest look so far at the network of covert operations directed by White House officials to keep funds flowing to Nicaragua's contra rebels during a conressional ban and swap arms for U.S. hostages in Lebanon while talking tough against dealing with

"There seems to be, etched in all that I know about these transactions, an attitude reflected that the White House only knew best, and that the Congress and the American people really could not be trusted with the shaping of foreign policy," said Senator Paul

Trible, a Virginia Republican. "We've got to find a way to reconcile the ohvious need to have a strong and decisive president ... with a need to operate within the constraints of the law and the constitution of the land,"

Under questioning, Richard Secord, Robert McFarlane, Gasinto the Iran-contra scandal have ton Sigur and Robert Owen told a tale, at times compelling, at times absurd, of secret missions in unmarked planes, of meetings in European capitals, of a keyshaped cake and a hible signed hy Reagan, of disreputable Iranian arms mercbant who failed every lie-detector test the CIA could throw at him and a lonely U.S. agent who issued a plaintive plea from the jungles of Central America to Oliver North in Washington: "Send Fawn. Can't live on milk and cookies."

> Fawn Hall, a tall, glamourous blonde, was North's secretary until the gung-ho marine lieutenant colonel was fired last November from Reagan's National Security Council staff for allegedly masterminding the diversion of millions of dollars from the covert sale of U.S. arms to Iran to buy arms for

Her testimony before the joint House of Representatives-Senate Iran-contra committees is being eagerly awaited by the American popular press, tantalised by re-Trible, a member of the senate ports she helped North shred

Iran committee told the bearings documents and smuggled other papers out of the White House in ber hra and panties.

But Secord, a retired air force, major general who was closely involved with North in both the Iran and contra initiatives, former National Security Adviser McFarlane, State Department official Sigur who helped North solicit funds from Asian nations, and Owen. North's private link to the contras, also described a series of activities that many legislators believe circumvented, if not broke, U.S. laws.

- The solicitation of funds for the contras by U.S. officials, with the largest single contribution of \$32 million coming from Saudi Arabia, at times during a congressional han.

The direction from the White House of a private network designed to keep the contras supplied with money and arms during the Boland Amendment which barred such support, directly or indirectly, from October 1983 to December 1985, Private citizens are also barred under the Neutrality Act from involvement in foreign conflicts.

- The failure to notify Con-

Ronald Reagan

gress, as required by law, of the covert sales of U.S. arms to Iran, and an abortive clandestine operation planned by the drug enforcement administration to ransom the hostages for one million dollars each.

- The diversion of 3.5 million of the 30 million dollar proceeds' from the Iran arms sales to the

contras. The verbal approval by Reagan of two initial shipments of U.S. arms to Iran by Israel in late 1985 before a presidential "finding" authorised direct U.S. arms transfers in January 1986.

Act, which barred exports to na- wait-and-see attitude. s, such as Iran, designated by the State Department as supporting terrorism.

- The failure to ootify Congress violates provisions of the 1947 National Security Act which requires "timely notification" of all covert actions to the congressional intelligence committees.

- The Iran arms sales also likely violated a provision of the moreover blamed Congress for its Arms Export Control Act which requires congressional notification of arms sales in excess of \$14

"Laws were ignored, violated, stretched," Rep. Dante Fascell told an early session of the bear-. ings. "The president either acquiesced or was kept in the

Fascell, a Florida Democrat, is chairman of the house foreign affairs committee and one of the 15 members of the house Iran

But that opinion was not shared by many of the other 25

That finding, never disclosed as it special committees; modelled af-should have been to Congress for those created to probe the was required to waive provisions of the Export Administration down Richard Nixon, who took a

joint nearings are sch duled to run for three months. Some lawmakers have argued

over the past two weeks that many of the laws, especially the Boland Amendment, are ambiguous and Reagan cannot therefore be blamed for exploiting the loopholes. Several Republican members

on-off support for the contras which they said had forced the administration to resort to "extra legal" means. Senate committee vice-chair-

man Warren Rudman; a New Hampsbire Republican, took another tack. "I can find no lawyer of any

constitutional law background who would claim that the president of the United States could be precinded by any amendment of the Congress from dealing with foreign countries in any way he wishes," Rudman said.

But, he added, even if the solicitations were legal, "it was a terrible policy" and that should members of the house and senate be the issue.

The Iran hearings: A tale of spies, politics and unanswered questions

By Ruth Sinai The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The intri- Congress and the president to gues exposed in the past two control foreign policy. weeks at the congressional hearand spy novels for years to come. helped themselves to CIA coding macbines. A tiny sultanate donated \$10 million to clandestine operations, only to see it go astray because a bank account number was wrong.
But to most Americans the

Iran-contra affair bas been mainly a political story, similar to last decade's Watergate scandal but cut from a far different cloth.

Officials in both cases acted in the name of the president, even as' they stretched or broke the

However, the "plumbers" who broke into Democratic Party headquarters at the Watergate hoilding and the phone-tappers who planted bugs there in 1972 were seeking to assure President Richard Nixon's re-election. rather than to engage in foreign

love of power. But the Iran-contra affair has its basis in the constitutional battle between

.The two main Iran-contra witings into the Iran-contra affair nesses so far were former military could inspire political thrillers officers who conducted covert policy in the name of President Secret operatives used wigs and Reagan's national policy goals. aliases. Unauthorised agents And the Iran-contra affair in-Reagan's national policy goals. volves not a domestic election campaign, but the life-and-death issues of American bostages in Lebanon and the guerrilla war in Nicaragua.

The nationally televised and broadcast bearings are the talk of Washington, a city heavily populated with government officials. journalists, diplomats and

Even taxi drivers, many of whom are immigrants from African, Asian or Latin American states, cruise along the capital's scandal. streets listening to the proceedings on their radios.

'A hearing like this could never bave happened in my coun-try," said Nsekela Dikuyi, formerly of Zaire. "This is a true taste of democracy for me. Americans take it for granted, but for policy.

Watergate had overtones of the people from repressive regimes, this is fascinating."

But more than being fascinated, those who were allowed into the hearings in groups of 30 to 40 people for one hour at a time often appeared puzzled by the diffuse and varying lines of questioning. "What does that mean?" or "Who's he talking about?" were often-beard "The questioners also sought to

whisperings.
Indeed, the lengthy questioning by two trial lawyers and 26 members of Congress, has so far failed to answer the basic question of how much President Ronald Reagan knew about the covert activities undertaken by his staff, especially by fired White House aid Lt.-Col. Oliver North.

Two major players in the scandal did provide missing pieces of gigantic jigsaw puzzle which spanned three continents, involved tens of million of dollars and embroiled Reagan in a

Under the strong glare of television spotlights, retired air force Maj. Gen. Richard Secord and former National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane explained aspects of the affair in detail, as some dozen photographers crouched at their feet clicking away in front of the witness table. Their testimony bas covered

the shipment of arms to Iran to win freedom for American hostages in Lebanon, the funnelling of some of the proceeds to the anti-government rebels in Nicar-

go beyond the riveting disclosures to answer questions of fundamental importance to the principles of government in the United States:

- Was Reagan a silent accomplice in violating the 1984 law which banned the transfer of money to the contra rebels? - To what degree should the president consult with Congress

about foreign policy?

— What are the limits to White House covert activities and to what extent does the president bave to report about them to Congress?

- Does Reagan have sufficient control over his subordin-

The senators and representatives, who usually take five-minute turns to question witnesses. acknowledge the difficulty of getting at the truth in the overwhelming amount of evidence.

LETTERS

Where are the figures?

To the Editor:

I READ with some reservation the Ministry of Social Development's letter to the editor entitled "Poor pockets," (Jordan Times, May 16, 1987), and the ministry's "clarification" of the Jordan Times report (May 12) on Jordan's first soup kitches. I expected the ministry which contends that it supported social services and work "on a scientific basis," to quote us some scientific facts and figures about the poverty level in the country. At least, in order to substantiate its denial of the Jordan Times quote of Mr. Ahmad Qa'dan's assertion of a 50 per cent needy in the Kingdom's population. There were no such statistics and I did not see any clarification, which the ministry said it wanted to make. Who are we readers supposed to believe: Mr. Qa'dan who was not quoting any authoritative statistics or the ministry which did not provide any better? I tend to believe neither. If the ministry had the correct figures it should release them to the public. If not, which would be worse, then they should not blame the Jordan Times or Mr. Qa'dan for not having the correct figures. It is the duty of the government to make such statistics available for journalists as well as social workers.

Without quoting statistics that set the record straight, once and for all, I find the ministry's denials void of any meaning if not self-incriminating. Furthermore, the ministry admits that it." does not look to momentary and emotionally-based cures" in its otherwise commendable effort to solve our social problems. By its own admission, the ministry, I believe, should not have any quarrels with those who do care about "momentary and emoionally-based cures." Somebody should.

Finally, as somebody who was born and been living in this: country all my life, I would certainly not describe poverty in Jordan as existing only in "pockets" as the ministry likes to do. I am merely defending the language.

Jabai Al Qusour

William the Conqueror begins to win over the Normans

France and Britain have always had an uneasy relationship. William the Conqueror had a lot to do with it in 1066. David Housego describes how this ancient king seems to be respected more in conquered England than in his home of Normandy.

PARIS — The inscription carved above the memorial arch at the British cemetery in Bayeux, close to France's Normandy coast, sets out the complex intertwining of the two countries' past. It says in Latin: "We who were conquered by William have freed his country by our victory."
Almost 900 years of rivalry,

misunderstandings and bursts of reconciliation separated William the Conqueror's subduing of England in 1066 from the Allied landings in Normandy which liberated France from German occupation.

This year, Normandy is commemorating this joint history through the anniversary of William's death in 1087 in ceremonies in which Britain will participate. In towns such as Caen, Falaise and Bayeux, posters are up showing the red and yellow sail of a Norman ship driven by the wind - chosen as the emblem for the occasion.

Throughout the summer, a series of pageants, cavalcades, son et lumieres, hunting spectacles, exhibitions, concerts, conferences and plays are intended both as tourist attractions and essays in history in a country which is fascinated by its past.
The Prince and Princess of

Wales are due to visit Caen and Bayeux on September 9 for the official ceremony on the day of the conqueror's death. This will be preceded by a Mass for Wilham in Bayeux cathedral in the presence of the Archbishop of Canterbury. The royal visit is intended both to underline the Norman ancestry of the British. monarchy and provide a boost to Anglo-French relations.

In a year in which preparations for the Channel tunnel are getting under way, when France and Britain bave narrowed their differences over European Community reform, when their two capitals have been busily consulting on a response to Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev's arms initiative, and ties between them seem stronger than for many years, the event could hardly be more timely. Mr. Michel: de Bouard, the

leading French historian of Wilham, and a resident of Caen, describes him as a "great man who dominated his time and gave an impulse to history." He sees William's legacy as being the con-solidation of Norman power and

the founding of the feudal system which gave England a long period of stability.

But, paradoxically, his reputation stands less high in France than it does in England. In Caen, which he transfermed for the feural ferromagnetic field of the feural which he transformed from a large village into a town by building his castle there and two imposing abbeys, there is still no statue to him, and only a small street bears his name. He is still known locally as much by his earlier title of the "bastard," because he was born ont of wedlock like many Viking lords, and Mr. de Bouard says that his popular reputation remains that of a harsh ruler who ill-treated or killed his wife Mathilda.

One local legend has it that he had Mathilda dragged through the town by her hair. As a result of the population's indifference to her fate she cried out "cold street" - hence the reason why one of Caen's streets is called La Rue Froide. According to another legend, she refused to consummate the marriage to William — a sufficiently close relative that the Pope's permission was needed - and that William forced himself on her and tore her dress with his sword. Recent historical research suggests in fact that they were a close couple.

France equally has never had much regard for William, regarding him a frontier warlord. In French history, the most important date in Normandy's past is its full integration into the kingdom which occurred almost two cen-

turies later. In contrast, Mr. de Bouard believes that England has much more valued William at his proper worth. He describes the conquest in his book as a decisive break in British history from an Anglo-Saxon kingdom which until then "had looked mainly towards the North Sea, and Scandinavia" to a country whose main nium when an invasion of the



focus became "Continental and western Europe.'

The commemoration by Britain last year of the 900th anniversary of the drawing up of the Domesday book is thus a testimony to the importance of William's legacy on the evolution of British institutions.

Nonetheless, William's epithet "the conqueror" has always left a sour taste in British mouths as the one occasion this milleBritish Isles mainland was successful

Britons at the time of the invasion, as Mr. de Bouard readily admits, would have seen it as a catastrophe in which much of the Anglo-Saxon aristoracy was killed, the Church decapitated and England ruthlessly plundered.

Normandy's absorption with its own past is in part a way of emphasising its regional identity. celebrated only the key dates in channel than the French.

the foundation of Norman power and never, as is the case with other French provinces, Normandy's mtegration into France.

However, the anniversary of the birth of William in 1027 seems to have passed relatively un-noticed in Caen. A memorial placed in the cathedral in 1927 by the city of Hastings and several largely Anglo-Norman families suggests that it was more bon-Significantly, until now it has oured on the British side of the

Notwithstanding the emphasis on Norman regional identity,

Normandy is not a province with history of revolt against the French state such as La Vendee or the south-west. Part of the explanation lies in its geographical disparity and part in its closeness to Paris. But, surprisingly, it - as this year's celebrations are likely to show - Financial Times feature.

bas combined its loyalty to France with close ties to England

Lawyers say cases are often adjourned for weeks for petty

Additionally, a judge in Turkey does not see a case file until it starts so he must deal with much

pace with about one-day hearing every three weeks and automatic appeals after the verdict is deli-

vered. Also, a Turkish defence lawver is not involved in pre-trial inves-

collect evidence for him. "In effect hearings are ad-

brought to court," said Ankara Bar Association chairman Mahir Can Ilicak. He said the association wants

procedure.

Randa Habibs

Mobile care

JORDAN, regretfully, is one of the countries on top of the list for the high nomber of road accidents world-wide. In 1986 alone, road accidents ca. Led 362 lives and 75,939 injured. Still, because of the awareness campaigns launched by the government and concerned societies, 1986 was a better year than 1985 in terms of casualties.

But, together with tough traffic measures and intelligent campaigns this situation could still be improved. Many people died because accidents appen away from hospitals and immediate medical care was no accidents in many parts of the country. As most of the deadly accidents have n on desert roads, miles away from any health facility, why deesn't the Ministry of Health acquire mobile rescue units, with full operating room and emergency services?

In case of accidents, police cocid by radio alert those units who in turn could quickly reach the invicated location. Medical care can thus immediately be given to wounded people, and if emergency requires it, even a major operation

The idea of the mobile rescue unit was applied with success in many countries. In Jordan, where medical facilities are not widespread, and where sometimes the closest hospital is too far away for a badly wounded person, it is a must to acquire such

Ancient skills show way to future for SULTVIVALISTS By Anton Ferreira in

ASBURY, New Jersey — On the New Jersey frontline in his personal crusade to save the earth, a man with a vision is teaching Americans to carve arrowbeads

from broken beer bottles. Tom Brown, who dubs himself "the tracker," runs a survival sehool about 90 miles (150 kilometres) west of New York City where he passes on wisdom learned during his youth from an old Apache Indian called Stalking Wolf.

"My vision is to teach people how to live with the earth," he told a recent class of 30 students, ranging from a hallroom dancing instructor to a former accountant turned organic farmer.

Most of the students were nature lovers seeking to learn more about the outdoors, from how to identify poison to how to track a

But Brown bad a more serious message - destruction of the environment by pollution and urban sprawl was threatening the

future of the earth. "Earth is a living being, a manifestation of the Creator," he said, warning students that man-kind was killing by poisoning underground water reserves, "the

earth mother's blood supply." By the end of the century the major U.S. grain producing area would be without water, be said. We're bringing Africa to the Un-

He tries to prevent this by teaching people to live in harmony with nature like the native Americans, Australian Aborigines and African Bushmen did.

They should put the trappings of the modern world behind them, Brown teaches in lectures laced with philosophy learned from Stalking Wolf.

"A survival situation is the only way you can ever hope to achieve total openess with the earth mother," he said.

His idea of a survival situation is walking naked into the wilderness, summer or winter, and living off the land indefinitely and in

comfort. "If it's a debilitating experience, then your skills aren't good enough," he told the class.

The skills he teaches include using stone tools, building warm shelter from forest dehris, mak-

ing fire without matches, obtain-

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ing water from plants or conde-Students learn how to chip

Primitive skills don't come cheap — the residential course costs \$500 — but many participants thought the money so well spent they said they would return

During his 10 years with Stalk-ing Wolf, Brown mastered such feats as stalking to within touching distance of wild animals

ques, but adds that such physical skills are only 20 per cent of the art. The rest is spiritual and involves raising the consciousness and improving awareness.

He said one way to belo see "the spirit that moves in 17 things" was the sweat soligi. .: sacred religious ceremony of Native American tribes which physi-

Red-hot rocks were stacked in the centre of a low dome built from saplings and straw, and the students crouebed hathed in sweat as Brown splashed on water to create steam.

Alternating English and the baunting language of Stalking Wolf, he prayed to the earth mother and urged the congre-"Then there'll be no food ... gants to take np the warrior's

staff in her defence. In teaching trapping and hunt-

"An animal's life is the ulti-

on a hard-packed driveway and pointed out a barely visible com-

pression. Passed by here two nights ago,

six weeks old." The students, who by the end of the course regarded Brown as a kind of nature guru, accepted

ment, said he once wanted to retreat into the woods.

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Parties highlight screenings and deals at Cannes

By Richard Lormand Reuter

International Film Festival — but for some people the real prizes are the dinner invitations.

The exclusive dinners that follow each official secreening promise's chance to socialise with likes of Elizabeth Taylor, Paul Newman, Prince Charles or Prin-But even for those excluded

from the most glittering occasions, there are many consolations. No-one, it seems, leaves the annual festival without partaking in some form of celebra-

Parties until dawn, breakfasts, brunches, lancheons, afternoon teas and receptions are available to all during the 13-day festival, ending next Tuesday when the winner of the 1987 Golden Palm is amounced.

Business deals clinched at the luge international industry market are incomplete without a bottle of champagne. Few of the 15,000 or more film screenings are unaccompanied by promotional festivity.

The carnival atmosphere here has been enhanced this year by the celebration of the 40th anniversary and by diminished

fears of terrorism, which kept movie.

American stars away last year. Taylor and Catherine Depeuve CANNES - World-class movies were guests at Wednesday night's vampire-like "mistress of the are competing for the Golden star-studded anniversary gala afdans les Yeux," a French-made montage of clips from selected films shown over Cannes' 40

> The festival's hottest ticket is a dinner after the world premiere of British director Lindsay Anderson's "The Whales of August," which stars Bette Davis, Lillian Gish, Vincent Price and Anne Southern.

The prince and princess of Wales will be present and will also be feted at various receptions during the day.

Other international celebrities attending glamorous social functions include Marcello Mastroianni, Faye Dunaway, Isahella Roseellini, Diane Keaton, Yves Montand, Mel Gibson and Phil Collins.

Slightly more accessible to the non-famous are the myriad publicity-oriented parties and recep-

Studio Circus, a Cannes discotheque, is the scene of many film festival all-night affairs.

One night at the famed Cannes nightspot, the ghoulish Elvira, who hosts late night borror films on U.S. television, celebrated the coming production of her first

Although most of the people came to the party to wish the bar did not burt the turnout. price of a drink at Cannes night elnbs is usually about 75 francs (\$13 dollars).

In keeping with the mostly formal nightlife dress code during the film festival, Cannes has dozens of top European fashion boutiques and hair salons.

For less expensive fun and frolic, the sunny weather, with temperature around 70 degrees fahrenheit (21 centigrade), has virtually transformed this Mediterranean resort into a giant street party of some 25,000 visitors and festival participants.

Sun-worshippers flock to the beaches, despite the cool sea breezes. Each day, thousands take to La Croisette, the main thoroughfare along the shore, for music, food and drink.

Tourists, photographers, sidewalk artists, street punks, and skimpily-dressed sunhathers mix with formally-attired participants heading to the nearby Palais beachfront auditorium where the festival is beld.

Fans crowd around the barricades of the Palais each night, hoping for a glimpse of a celebrity.

Hope at hand for unhappy husbands in Turkey hy calling more witnesses. Under Aegean coastal city of Izmir had By Seva Ulman

ANKARA - Hope is at hand for unhappy Turkish busbands unable to divorce their wives because the law discriminates against men. The law is to be changed.

Under present legislation a woman who withholds consent when ber busband wants to end their marriage can spin the court case out so long that divorce never comes.

"This is in order to protect women who are in many cases financially bound to their bushands." Ankara lawyer Sahin

Mengu told Reuters.

The situation, a paradox in male-dominated Turkey, will end as part of wide-ranging reforms of the creaking Turkish civil code. The reforms provide for automatic divorce on the grounds of

desertion by either party for a given period of time, a senior justice ministry official said. The draft is expected to be presented to parliament shortly. The popular daily Gunaydin

recently reported on a typical case of a man unable to get a

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It said Ibrahim Sonmez of the

been frying to part from his wife Gulsen for 13 years. In that time his 26 divorce petitions were all turned down by the courts be-

cause she withheld consent. Divorce in Turkey is easy if both parties agree. The woman usually files the suit to make the If the woman wants a divorce

but the man refuses, then the divorce usually does come through anyway, after about a The court can fix alimony but

this is no safeguard for the woman if ber former husband becomes unemployed and loses his income or is self-employed and his real income cannot be easily determined. In 1985, the last year for which

figures are available, 18,571 couples were divorced. There are no figures, however, for the number of failed petitions for divorce.

Many women, particularly in rural areas where more than half the population lives, depend on their husbands economically and would be left without support if divorced, Mengu said.

He said a woman can drag a divorce case out for years simply the law she can call as many as she wishes.

Seemingly interminable legal delays, whether in divorce or other civil or criminal cases, are a common complaint in Turkey.

reasons, such as when a judge orders that a copy of a defendant's birth certificate be brought from his or ber home town.

detail as it proceeds. Criminal trials move at a snail's

tigation and must ask the judge to

journed for evidence to be

this to be changed by an amendment to the code of criminal

JORDAN MARKET PLACE

nsation and tanning hides.

arrowheads from broken beer bottles, which one of Brown's half-dozen instructors said were likely to be found in even the remotest American wilderness.

for an advanced course.

and be promised his students that they could do the same. He teaches stalking techni-

cally resembles a sauna.

ing, he emphasises the Native American belief that all things, plant, mineral and animal, share the same spirit and are hrotbers.

mate gift, you should take it only if your survival depends on it." To the novice tracker, Brown's skills appear near miraculous. In one demonstration be crouched

"Left rear print of an eastern cottontail rabbit," he said.

such judgments as Gospel. Brown, who is contemptuous of those who put safety and comfort above adventure and excite-

Bones of saint hold surprises for restorers

By Alan Baldwin Repter-

ASSISI, Italy — The remains of St. Clare of Assisi, one of Italy's most revered religious figures, have just been restored by exrevealing some surprises including the fact that much of the body is a fake.

years, the blackened and apparently mummified relics of the 13th century saint have lain on display in a church crypt in this peaceful Umbrian hill town. Last September a small team of experts, led by an elderly monsignor from Rome, were called in by

For more than a hundred

Clare after it was discovered that the remains ran a serions risk of total disintegration. Their findings, due to be pubished this month, reveal some surprising facts about the saint's relics as well as confirming ex-

Thus of the order founded by St.

isting suppositions about St. We found that out of the 208 bones making up the skeleton only of were original," Monsig-mor Granfranco Nolli told Reuters. The real bones of St. Clare had been supplemented with fake ones made of beeswax and

"The face, which seemed to be a mask, was not a mask at all but cotton modelled around the skull," Nolli said. "Seen from a distance it may have looked like a mummy but it wasn't so." The remains of the saint were

discovered in the 19th century

during huilding work in the

church that bears her name in "As many bones were missing, the original restorers rebuilt the skeleton with new ones made of wax. Then they covered the skull with cotton and padded out the arms, legs and body, using silver thread to stitch it all together,"

Nolli said. "Obviously they thought they were doing the right thing but in fact they acted wrongly as title cotton heiped the process of decay by retaining all the humidity and warmth in the erypt. It provided a perfect habitat for microganisms," he said.

The modern restorers say they

have now rectified the earlier

errors, removing the fake ele-

ments, but they are worried gulli-

ble people may misinterpret their

"Only a few weeks ago we ourselves heard a guide say that the body had been restored and that the lungs, stomach and intestines had been put back inside the body. How can people say these things?" Nolli asked.

> ing a series of chemical baths to enable the mineral deposits in the bones to harden, the relics were laid out on a linen sheet and put inside a resin sarcophogus moulded to the form of the saint. Nolli said the restoration work, involving a projection of the saint's face based on the features

of her skull, had confirmed what

was already known about St.

Clare from books and a 14th-

After six months' work, involv-

century painting in the church of Santa Clara. 'She was very heautiful, about 60 years old, sweet yet very strong as was her temperament. Her face was very asymmetrical as is normal in many people, yet

"We also know she was about

1.57 metres tall but we were

unable to determine whether she

died of any specific illness as

three-quarters of the bones were

full of warmth," he said.

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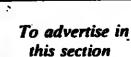


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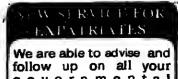


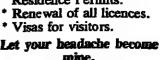


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Agony and ecstacy for

Mabbutt in F.A. final

Prost regains top slot with Beigian Grand Frix triumph

Brazilian Ayrıon Senna in a

Senne had raced into the lead

Mansell was able to re-start,

Andrea De Cesaris of Italy, in

a Brahham, finished third and

American Eddie Cheever came

fourth in an Arrows. Japanese

Satoru Nakajima was fifth in a

Lotus, so improving by one place-

hut Senna did not and 11e pair

later clashed in the pit lane.

from the re-start and Mansell had

attempted to overtake him on the outside, hut the pair locked

Lotus on the first lap.

wheels and spun off.

FRANCORCHAMPS, Belleville (R) — Alain Prost of France won the Belgiar and Prix on Sunday and equalled Briton Jackie Siewart's 27 record Grand Prix wins after an exciting and incident-packed race.

The race required a re-start damaged when he collided with after a two-car crash on the second lap. Both Tyrrell drivers Jonathan Palmer of Britain and Philippe Streiff of France escaped

Prost, in a McLaren, raced to victory in one hour 27 minutes and 3.217 seconds — more than 24 seconds ahead of his McLaren teammate Stefan Johansson of Sweden.

Victory lifted reigning world champion Prost hack to the top of the standings in the battle for the drivers' title. The win came in his 108th Grand Prix.

Mansell. in a Williams, retired before half distance. His car was

Defeated Thai

boxing champ

BANGKOK (R) - Former Thai

super bantamweight boxing

champion Samart Payakarun is to

become a Buddhist monk to calm

his mind after an emharrassing

defeat, local newspapers said

They said Samart, who lost his

World Boxing Council (WBC)

title to Jeff Fenech on May 8, world is ordained later Sunday

in the portutown 80 kilometres

Similar witose defeat stunned

Her aimed and stay out of the

public eye for a while. He did not know bow long he

would remain a monk, the news-

The 25-year-old former champien was knocked out in the

fourth round of a WBC world

Irate Thai supporters have

since accused him of taking bribes

to throw the fight or of spending too much time with girl friends

The distressed boxer has: re-

jected the charges and said he lost

the fight because he shed too

much weight too quickly before

"I will give up my playboy lifestyle and concentrate on train-

ing. I have made a mistake and I

will never repeat the same mis-

take again," he was quoted as

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ROME (R) — Michel Platini, France's World Cup captain and three times European Foothaller of the Year, Sunday announced he was retiring because, he said,

he no longer enjoyed the game.
Platini, 31, who was playing his
last match on Sunday for Juventus, the Italian club he joined five years ago, said he would dedicate himself to helping young drug addicts, television and his husiness interests.

"It's really over... oaly three little words, but for me they mean the end of an era. Today I have decided to leave foothall hut I can't nide my sadness," Platini said in a statement.

"The competition, the team, the public, the game, the emotion before going onto the field... I



ago, and Frenchman Rene

Arnoux came sixth in a Ligier.

Platini, hailed as one of the world's greatest footballers, has won virtually every soccer trophy will miss it all but I can't go on because I don't enjoy it any more." except the World Cup in a profes-sional career stretching hack more than IS years.



Wilander secures Italian Open title

ROME (AP) - Mats Wilander. dominating play from the base-line, crushed Martin Jaite, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4, to win the Italian Open Men's Tennis Championship

The second-seeded Swede wore down Jaite, an Argentinian seeded no. 1I, with deep backhands and high, long forehands that dropped in consistently near the haseline.

Jaite was never in the match and only in the last set, when Wilander appeared to lose some concentration, did he manage a run of I2 straight points to nar-row the score to 5-4. Wilander then won the match on his ser-

"I played very good the whole week. It seems like I'm playing better than ever," Wilander told the capacity crowd of 8,000 at the Foro Italico after winning the match in just over two hours. Wilander, ranked fourth in the

world, is a master on clay and the slow, red courts at the Foro Italico were just to his liking.

John McEnroe, whom Wilander defeated in a semi-final Satur-

day, said the Swede was the best clay court player in the world. The 22-year-old Wilander rare-

ly went to the net and Jaite spent a frustrating afternoon trying to find a formula to beat him. As the match went on, Jaite rushed his shots, committing one unforced error after another.

The Italian Open victory was worth \$64,000 to Wilander.

Graf wins German Open

BERLIN (AP) - Steffi Graf of tournament title West Germany beat country-woman Claudia Kohde-Kilsch 6-6-3, Sunday to win the \$150,000 German Open Women's Tennis Tournament for

the second straight year. The 17-year-old Graf, ranked number two in the world, is now unbeaten in her past 32 matches. She took home \$29,000 for Sunday's victory, while Kohde-Kilsch

But the Bruehl, West Germany teen-ager then suffered a minor lapse of concentration, allowing Kohde-Kilsch to pull hack to 3-4 in the second set. Kohde-Kilsch's challenge faded after that with a

succession of unforced errors. Graf hroke ber opponent's serve in the next game with two perfectly timed passing shots and a drop shot before serving out for

the match in the ninth game. Graf dominated play with her powerful forehand, winning eight straight games from 2-2 in the first set to move within two games of what became her sixth straight the match in the finite game.

"I'm happy that I won but I didn't feel I played so well this week," said Graf after being presented with the German Open Trophy.

Laciar dethrones Roman, wins superflyweight title

REIMS, France (AP) — Santos Laciar of Argentina dethroned World Boxing Council flyweight champ Gilberto Roman of Mexico when the referee stopped the bout in the 11th round Saturday because of cuts on Roman's face.

Laciar regained a world cham-pionship. He was the World Box-ing Association (WBA) flyweight titlist from 1981-1985 before giving it up to move up to the

ified for the Indianapolis 500.

twice in pracitce this month, and

winners in the tentative field for

Unser, who will be 48 the week

the May 24 race.

heavier weight class. · Roman was defending his title for the seventh time after winning it in March 1986. His record is now 43-4-1, while Laciar is 62-6-

Laciar and Roman fought to a draw last August. Roman was cut in the fourth round just below the left eye and it bothered him throughout the

remainder of the fight.

fender Gary Mabbutt, who experienced the agony and ecstacy of scoring for both sides in Coventry's 3-2 extra-time triumph in the English F.A. Cup final, could be in for more heart-

LONDON (R) - Tottenham de-

He ended Saturday's absorbing final limping and is a doubtful starter for England's glamour friendly on Tuesday against Bra-zil on the Wembley stage which brought him such mixed emotions against first-time finalists

Coventry.
Said Mahhutt: "I've a problem with the circulation in my left foot and I'll have to see a specialist again. Certainly, Brazil looks doubtful for me at the moment."

Mahhutt, who has enjoyed an oustanding season at both club and international level, was quick to accept that the winner should be recorded as an own goal rather than be credited to Coventry's Lloyd McGrath, who has claimed

the goal.
"I did my best to stop McGrath's cross as I didn't know who was behind me," Mahhutt said. "But the ball hit my leg and

looped over Ray Clemence's head in goal."

Mabbutt was also honest enough to admit that he was not sure whether be had scored the goal which gave his side a 2-I halftime lead.

I'll stick with the scoreboard which gave it to me, although it all happened so quickly I don't know if it was me or Brian Kilcline who got the final touch." Mahbutt said.

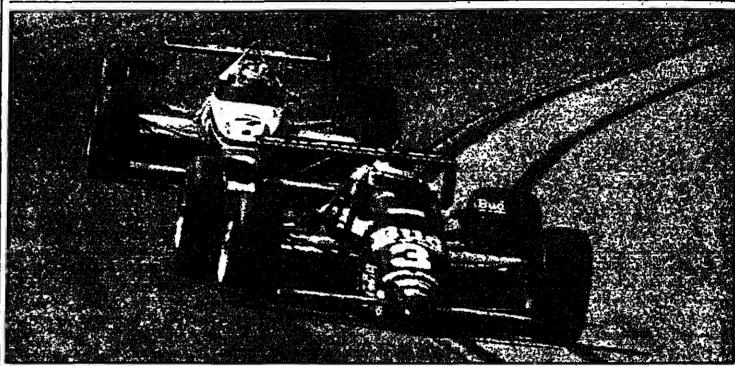
Keith Houchen hauled Coventry level for a second time with a diving header after 63 minutes and he epitomised the spirit which ray right down the spine of

the never-say-die underdogs.

Tottenham manager David Pleat left little doubt that he was dissatisfied with the performances of some of his star players in the 3-2 defeat hy Coventry in the English F.A. cup final at

Wembley on Saturday.

Pleat said after his team lost in extra time: "I know in my heart if a couple of our players had played better today, or approached their normal standards, we would have won that game as many people expected us to do."



Defending champion Bobby Rahal (No. 3) in action in one of the closest Indy 500 finishes ever (file photo)

Only Gone West hinders Alysheba from Triple Crown

ing twice outrun the .st three-year-old colts in the United States, Alysheba will seek a third classic victory in 20 days time in a bid to become only the 12th horse to win the American Triple Crown.

But one horse, yet to run in a classic this year, seems certain to

BALTIMORE, MD (R) - Hav- play a major role in the three- Affirmed in 1978 - and earn the Stakes on June 6 - Gone West. Alysheha's magnificent triumph hy half a length from Bet

Twice in Saturday's Preakness Stakes served to underline his pedigree as one of the greatest thoroughbreds in history. A courageous win in the Kentucky Derby two weeks ago --

again with American Chris McCarron on board and also at the expens: of Bet Twice - put the Jack Van Berg colt on the Triple Crown trail. Saturday's success, worth

\$421,100 in prize money, made Alysheha the first horse since Pleasant Colony in 1981 to win the first two classics of the series. Now triumph in the Belmont will complete the Triple Crown set — a feat last achieved by

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leading derhy contender until he save him for the Belmont.

Stephens, like Van Berg one of the higgest names in American horse racing, has saddled the winner of the Belmont Stakes for the past five years. He clearly believes Gone West will be his sixth successive winner.

The colt, which cost nearly \$2 million when purchased at the world-famous Keeneland yearling sales in 1985, finished second

week build-up to the Belmont colts owners. Dorothy and Pamela Scharbauer of Texas, a \$5 million bonus.

But they cannot underestimate Gone West, a colt considered a was withdrawn late hy trainer Woody Stephens. And one of the reasons he was pulled out was to

prestigious racing event.

Johncock and Unser, both of whom got into their cars for the first time durig the past seven days, proved that age has not diminished their talents. The 50-year-old Johncock, who

came out of a two-year retirement he regretted almost from the beginning, ran his fastest time since his return, posting a four-lap, I0-mile (I6-kilometre) qual-ifying average of 207.990 mph (334.718 kph). hy a short head to Gulch in the Wood Memorial in New York.

Tom Sneva, who had crashed

Danny Sullivan, who took a calculated risk by withdrawing one car to qualify another, made it a record nine former indy day before the first weekend of Indy qualifications in 1985, earned his 21st start.

There were 13 qualifiers Saturday, bringing to 30 the number of cars now set for the 71st running of the world's richest and most

it on TV the last two years, and I thought, 'I can still do it, I should

season. He was still looking for a joh when an injury to Ongais in a crash during practice last week opened up a spot on the Penske

(335.209 kph).

after the May 24 race, qualified at 207.423 (333.805 kph), just three days after taking over the ride of

Four former champions qualify for Indianapolis 500 include policy one I feel sorty for is Danny include policy one I feel sorty for is Danny include policy

was going to be in the race." The two-time Indy champion; who walked away from racing the

Johncock, who won in 1973 and 1982, took over a ride left vacant hy an injury in qualifying last Saturday to driver Jim Craw-

"I missed it," Johncock said after he qualified. "I've watched

Unser was cut loose by the Penske racing team after the 1986

The three-time Indy winner got into the car for the first time on Wedensday and qualified solidly, turning a fast lap of 208.295 mph

"I'm real happy," said Unser.
"I still get a charge out of all this because I still enjoy racing. The

noon was not even able to get a practice lap on the spare car his crew put together for him with a frantic all-week effort, was the final qualifier of the day Saturday, turning an average of 207.254 (333.533 kph). Each of the four laps was faster than the

"This is the hard way, I'll tell you that," said the 1983 Indy winner. "I hit the wall a couple of times and really put some work on this crew. We're just happy to be in. The car felt better each

Sullivan, the senior Unser's teammate, withdrew the Penske PC16 he qualified last Saturday in the 11th position at 205.288 (330.369 kph) in order to put a 1986 March into the field.

The gamble paid off as the 1985 Indy winner turned in the day's fastest qualifying run 210.27I (338.398 kph), with three of the four laps over 210.

Other veterans

Other former winners in the

one I feel sorry for is Danny be race include pole-winner Mario quartet of former winners, led by Volgans. Johncock's first three laps were veterans Gordon Johncock and Al Unser, who were out of work fastest at 208.647 (333.775). He these things happen in racing."

Andretti, defending champion Bobby Rahal, two-time winner these things happen in racing. Rick Mears, four-time champion Johnny Rutherford, all of whom qualified last weekend.

Eighteen drivers put cars into the tentative field last weekend during the first two days of time trial. That left 15 positions to fill in qualifications this weekend, although Sullivan's withdrawal

momentarily changed that figure. Ten of the empty spots were filled in the busy first two hours of Saturday's qualifications, hut only three more cars managed to get into the tentative lineup during the rest of the seven-hour

The last of four days of time

trials ended on Sunday. The average for the first 30 qualifiers is 207.363 mph (333.709 kph), compared with last year's mark of 210.471 (338.710 kph) for 30 qualifiers. The overall field average in 1986 was a record 210.358 (338.529 kph).

"These cars change so quick-ly." said Cogan. "They are hard to halance and it's hard to find the right setup. That's why

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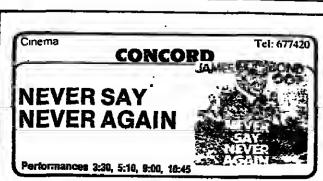
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Weekly Financial Report

By Fouad Batshon

AMMAN - Last week the U.S. dollar opened bigher and moved up due to short covering from major banks around the world. Dealers were trying not to push the dollar any lower before the American economic figures were released because they feared of intervention from the central banks.

On Thursday and Friday the figures were released and as they were almost neutral for the dollar, dealers sold dollars heavily and tried to break the old lows against the major European currencies. The dealers somebow stopped because of the decision of the American banks to rise to prime rates from 8 per cent to 8½ per cent. This led the dealers to slowly sell back the dollar.

The dollar traded in a wide range of 0.328 - 0.334 fils against the Jordanian dinar. Charts still indicate that the dollar could move a little bit lower this week ngainst the European currencies and the

The expected dollar range for this week is 0.324 - 0.330 fils. The pound sterling gained strength against the dollar mainly because of the higher orices of the North Sea oil and higher U.K. interest rates. The pound traded between 0.5575 -

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FORECAST FOR MONDAY, MAY 18, 1987

GENERAL TENDENCIES: This is a day to consider

liow you can add some sparkle and some zip to whatever

talents you have. It is also a time to clarify your most

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) You can get helpful ideas

from those who are enjoying a more modern way of liv-

ing, Be active and happy.
TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) If you get the hacking

of an important person you can become more successful

in your worldly affairs. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Work on your creative

ideas today. You can learn from one whose views are dif-

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21] Be more

modern in handling business affairs. Try to be more

capricions with your melec.

LEO Jul 22 to Aug. 211 While with an unusual person, be sure to listen to the ideas expounded since they

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Begin the week properly

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct.-22) Put aside old pleasures

and get into new ones that can bring you greater enjoy-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 211 Remain poised if

unusual things happen at home. Invite colorful in-dividuals into your home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) In any letters you write, be sure to add some zip and humor to them

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Put more effort in-

to your property and other assets so that they can

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Don't discuss your

inventive ideas with those in business. Come to a fine

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You have fine and unusual ideas today and should make a note of them so

they don't clude you later. IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he, or she,

will think quite differently from others. It would be wise not to try to change your progeny since it will be this

very difference that will make the life unique. Do teach

this child what is proper and what is not so that he, or

by getting your activities operating more efficiently and

The D.M./S.F. moved in a narrow range due to the wide fluctuations in the dollar. The D.M. traded between 0.1850 -

0.191 and the S.F. between 0.220 - 0.231 fils. The Lebanese lira (L.L.) moved lower against the dollar because of the uncertain political situation in Lebanon. It traded between (362 - 354) L.L./JD. The Syrian lira traded between (92 - 85) S.L./JD and

the Knwaiti dinar traded be-

tween JD 1.220 to JD 1.227.

The Egyptian pound traded between 0.165 - 0.170 fils and the Iraqi dinar between 26.0 -25.0 fils. Mctals traded higher because of the short covering from brokers around the world

Gold pushed a bigh of \$475 an ounce from a low of \$454 an ounce. Silver jumped to \$9.45 an ounce from \$8.55 an ounce.

Charts indicate that gold should hit the \$500 an ounce level within the next two weeks and silver should jump to around \$11 an ounce at the same period.

Gold prices in Amman based of the daily halletin presented by the Jordan Jewellery Store are as follows:

Gold per gramme 21 carats JD 4.250 - JD 4.100 Gold per gramme 18 carats JD

Fiat hopes to set up car factory in China

Fiat said Saturday it hoped to set up a joint vebicle manufacturing venture in China, which most major automakers have avoided because of financing and production problems.

Mr. Francesco Gallo, head of mternational relations for Fiat, told a news conference: "We have prepared a pre-feasibility study that has been given to our Chinese counterparts and we have provided a number of cars which have been tested - all this is a clear indication of our in-

He said a decision on whether to build a factory would be made hy Fiat and the Chinese government jointly. He gave no details of the project.

American Motors, Peugeot of France, and Volkswagen of West Germany are the only foreign companies so far to have put money into auto production in

The country's total output this year is officially estimated at 365,000 vehicles, less than that of a single factory of major international producers. Many auto giants, including the

Japanese, bave shied away from setting up large-scale joint ventures becasuse of fears over poor management and labour quality and inconvertibility of the Chinese currency, the renminbi.

Mr. Gallo said Fiat was already well-established in China, with 10 per cent of the country's estimated 200,000 passenger cars 1986.

Some are Fiats made under licence in the Soviet Union and Poland and exported to China.

Mr. Gallo said that in 1985, Chinese factories signed agree-ments with Fiat subsidiaries to produce vehicles and engines under licence. The Italian government financed the deals with \$250 million.

Mr. Gallo said there would be problems in raising the large amount of capital needed to finance the new joint venture, but Fiat would overcome them.

The foreign automakers already manufacturing in China have not had a trouble-free ride.

Volkswagen has more than doubled its initial investment of \$200 million yuan (\$54 million) in a joint venture in Shanghai making cars in which it has a 50 per cent share "because of the devaluation of the reuminbi and a number of unexpected costs," the Chinese press has said.

American Motors was forced to close the production line of a ioint venture in Peking making eeps for two months last year cause of a shortage of foreign

China has ruled out any largescale imports of cars in future, forcing foreign manufacturers to consider local production as the only way into the domestic market.

China imported more than 500,000 vehicles in 1985 and

growth.

Oman considers measures to protect local industries

MUSCAT (R) — A senior Omani minister said in published remarks the sultanate was studying ways to protect local industry and diversify the economy away from

Oman's commerce and indus-try minister, Colonel Salem Ibn Abdul Al Ghazali, reaffirmed a government pledge to protect local industry from foreign imports, newspapers reported.

He was addressing husmessmen at the first of what he said would be regular meetings between his ministry and the business community as part of a government drive "to diversify the economy away from a reliance on oil re. Dhabi-last November.

Oil accounts for more than 90 per cent of export revenue in

Colonel Gbazali last week attacked what be called a lack of progress by members of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) grouping Oman with Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arah Emirates - to implement joint incentive mea-

An agreement on unified industrial incentives, aimed at equalising competition among the Gulf Arab states, was reached at a GCC summit meeting in Ahu

IEA commends Turkey's energy goals, production

tions for its energy requirements in coming years are ambitious but the country has improved its re-cord in self-sufficiency recently, the International Energy Agency (IEA) said in a report on Turkish energy policy. The country's total primary

energy requirement is officially forecast to increase by 8.7 per cent a year in the 1980s. But the IEA says this is unlikely to be achieved if the country falls below its ambitious target of 5.9 per cent annual growth in gross domestic product.

PARIS (R) - Turkey's projec- Turkey's main energy policy objective is to increase domestiproduction which in 1985 accounted for 57.2 per cent of the national energy requirement. The IEA said this was a slight improvement and was mainly due to higher output of coal which rose to 9.26 million tounes oil equivalent (MTOE) in 1985 from 7.94 MTOE in 1984.

But there are several obstacles to overcome if the country is to achieve its projected growth of over 100 per cent in local electricity output between 1985 and 1990, the IEA said.

Report calls for multilateral cooperation to reverse the 'disarray of development'

GENEVA (OPECNA) - If interdependence was better managed, interactions between money, finance, debt, commodities and trade which have been depressing development, could be more positive, according to a United Nations' report released here.

seventh gathering of the U.N. Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) calls for greater commitment by member states to multilateral cooperation in order to reverse the "disarray of development."

It says slow growth and deflationary tendencies in the world economy are impeding structural adjustment, slowing development and preventing Third World countries from reconciling debtservicing with growth.

According to the Inter Press Service (IPS) news agency, the report also calls for the mapping out at UNCTAD-VII, to be beld here in July, of a "strategy for enhancing growth and restoring momentum to development," which should include more expansionary policies in market

The report prepared for the economy countries, as well as selective measures to improve the operation of the trade, commodities and finance regimes.

Adequate attention should also be given to measures for tackling both long-term structural prob-lems and the immediate crisis. Immediate measures should in-

clude policies in the areas of resources for development, com-modities and trade, as well as support for more favourable socio-economic conditions for the least developed countries.

The report, however, notes that austerity and adjustment have led to cuts in education, bealth and other social services. Imports have been strangled and there have been declines in investment and public spending in the sectors of education, training, and research and development.

It says that the sharp deterioration in the financial and trading positions of most Third World countries during the 1980s was closely related to the markedly unfavourable international economic environment they faced compared to the previous two

Generally, much higher interest rates and the depression in much of the world economy led to an increase in debt-service payments and downward pressures on the export earnings of Third World countries.

Third World exports suffered because of a continuing glut in commodity markets, sharply low-er prices for most commodities, and a slow-down in trade both with the North and within the South, the report says, adding that the over-all economic environment is not supportive of the Third World's adjustment efforts.

Key economic variables, such as exchange rates and commodity prices, including those of oil are mcreasingly unstable and unpredictable. There has also been a commodity prices.

tionism."

The response of the Western industrialised countries to heightened international competition and exchange rate instability has led to the erosion of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and to the widespread use of quantitative discretionary

It also points out that the interdependence of national economies has increased, with the world economy having become more and more sensitive to policy changes in major Western indus-

trialised countries. But, despite the need for greater coordination of national policies, and despite the magnitude and duration of the recession. these countries, with the excep-tion of the United States, coutinue to be reluctant to take stimulatory fiscal measures.

This, says the report, bas been the main reason for the halting nature of the recovery since 1983, and the continued depression of

Washington eases pressure on Bonn, Tokyo

WASHINGTON (R) - The United States, keen to preserve the new-found fragile cooperation among leading industrial countries, has eased pressure on its allies to speed up economic

U.S. officials bave also expressed bope that financial markets will calm down in coming months as countries edge back from a trade war, the U.S. trade deficit starts improving and prospects of policy changes become apparent.

Amid signs that Washington and Tokyo are about to resolve their dispute over semi-conduciors, Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige said most countries were taking pains to avoid trade clashes, probably the key factor upsetting financial markets.

There is enough evidence of the fragility of global trade growth so that various governments are being especially careful during these days not to ... do the wrong thing," Mr. Baldrige said in a recent interview.

Western industrial countries have also agreed in principle to speed up reform of world agricultural trade, described as increasingly confrontational hy one senior U.S. official.

it is prepared temporarily to and Japan. accept lower economic growth, trusting that commitments by the three major industrial countries will be fulfilled in the next four

These commitments by West Germany, Japan and the United States were made in February's Louvre accord to curb trade imbalances and stabilise the dollar.

However, with strong indications that Western powers are not prepared to act before late summer, no breakthrough to shore up the world economy is likely at next month's summit of the seven leading industrial countries in

monetary analysts say, could up-set the markets and drive the dollar lower.

"We shouldn't look for a great big new agreement," Treasury Secretary James Baker said in Paris last week. The comment caused concern on financial mar-U.S. officials say there are no

major economic initiatives to be unveiled at the Jime 8-10 summit. Yet far from abandoning moves to strengthen cooperation and boost the world economy, Mr. Baker appear to be taking a

Last week, be praised their interest rate reductions and held back from criticising the absence of fiscal stimulus.

The United States, Japan and West Germany are aware that the absence of policy changes could disturb markets.

Reaffirming unfulfilled commitments for the third time this year, Western policymakers in Paris last week seemed to understand they risked the markets'

"I'm not sure our purpose here was to impress, depress or otherwise affect financial markets," Mr. Baker said at the annual That development alone, ministerial meeting of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.

> "I think you've seen some relatively good foreign exchange stability," he responded to suggestions that lack of action might iolt financial markets again. At the same time, officials in

Tokyo pleaded with major institutions not to sell dollars when Japan announced a record trade surplus of \$7.6 billion in April. West German Economics Minister Martin Bangemann conceded Bonn would consider advancing tax cuts planned for

month showed there was a serious risk that German growth could slip below two per cent this

Mr. Baker, meanwhile, said Japan made "credible promises" on the scope and timing of a roughly \$35 billion stimulus to its economy, expected by September at the latest. The Reagan administration has

committed itself to at least \$20 billion of new budget deficit cuts by September — though Mr. Baker admitted an arms control accord would drive up spending. In theory, stimulus in Germany

and Japan would spur world growth and provide markets for U.S. and Third World exports. Lower government and consnmer spending in America would curb U.S. demand for im-

ports, help to slow the growth of U.S. debt and channel more resonrces to depleted U.S. invest-But whether financial markets can remain calm until autumn is

an open question. Mr. Bangemann said it was a difficult time for policy-makers to win backing for economic changes. "It's for policy-makers to win backing for economic changes. "It's high January 1988 if a review next noon for politicians," he said.

Washington has indicated that conciliatory line West Germany Sierra Leone sees no benefit in IMF policies

REETOWN (R) - Sierra Leone President Joseph Momch, whose government adopted an International Monetary Fund (IMF) programme last year to halt economic decline, has said it hrought no benefit to the

country. President Momob's views reflect mounting criticism by Afri-can countries of IMF prescriptions for their ailing economies.

"We bave not benefited in any way from the IMF programme, President Momoh told Reuters in an interview Saturday. "In other

words, it would have made no difference wbether or not we accepted the IMF package."

With the economy in deep crisis after years of mismanagement, Sierra Leone adopted an IMF programme last June and promptly floated its currency, the leone, which has fallen to about 50 to the U.S. dollar from five

before the flotation.

"The IMF programme imposes tremendous hardships on our people ... we find this unreasonable but we bave gone too far with the programme to abandon

it now." President Momob Zambia abandoned an IMF programme after more than a

year of implementation. Asked whether Sierra Leone might reach a similar decision. President Momob said: "We haven't quite got there but we are very close to it. When the IMF point quite clear to their leader." IMF last year, Sierra Leone bor-

Senior officials of the Bank of Sierra Leone, the central bank, said that since the introduction of the programme the IMF had offered the country credit only to pay the Standard loan.

They said Sierra Leone had team was last here, I made that since become indebted again to 'the IMF to the tune of more than To reach an accord with the seven million of IMF Special Drawing Rights — about \$9.2 rowed more than \$12 million million - and this bad brought a from the Standard Chartered stalemate on further implementa-Bank of Britain to pay off its tion of the IMF programme.

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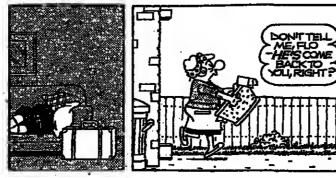


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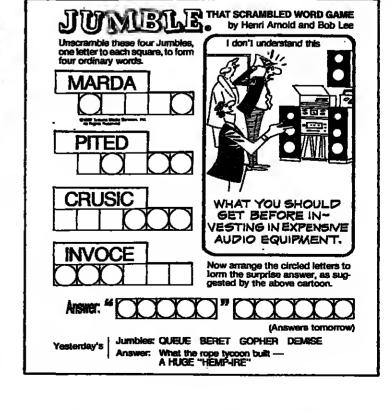
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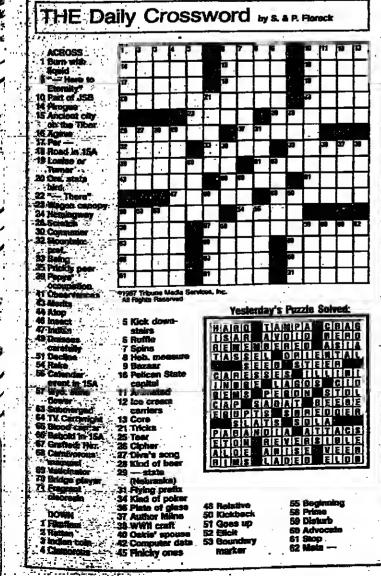






THE BETTER HALF, By Harris "I found something to make you kiss me longer... Velcro lipstick!"





Fijian military tightens grip in effort Aquino: Poll victory to deny power to Indian majority

SUVA (R) — Rebel military leader Sitiveni Rabuka, who seized power in Fiji three days ago, tightened his grip on the country Sunday pending a new constitution which he said would deny forever political power to the South Pacific Island's Indian majority.

Protests among the Indian community and members of the ousted Fijian Labour Party were mounting with calls for a national strike on Monday.

About 800 protestors, mainly Indian hut with a sprinkling of Fijians, demonstrated peacefully in central Suva. carrying placards calling for the release from house arrest of deposed Prime Minister Timoci Bavadra.

Placards also appeared in Indian areas of Suva Saturday night backing the stand of Governor-General Ratu Sir Penaia Ganilau against the rebels and many Indian and Fijian owned stores that would otherwise have been open were Sunday closed.

Indian and Fijian Labour Party members, whose month-old coalition government with the In-

NEW DELHI (R) - More than

800 people bave been arrested in

Funjab since the state's govern-

ment was dismissed six days ago

and direct rule from New Delhi

imposed, the Press Trust of India

(PTI) news agency reported

All were beld under anti-ter-

rorist laws which permit deten-

tion without trial for up to a year.

No charges have yet been made

public and police said some had

Most of those detained gave

themselves up witbout a struggle

in face of the massive presence of

MADRID (R) - Suspected Bas-

bombs outside the Madrid head-

quarters of the navy, air force and

Ćivil Guard early Sunday, killing

a 70-year-old woman and injuring nine people, police said. Two of

the injured are in a serious condi-

The three blasts, the first

bomhings this year in the Spanish

capital, occurred almost simul-

No one immediately claimed re-

sponsibility hut security officials

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dian dominated National Federation Party was ousted on May 14, bave heen meeting secretly to plan their next move, party sources said.

About 200 Fijians and Indians held a protest vigil outside Dr. Bavadra's home Saturday night but military authorities Sunday moved him and other members of his cahinet to a government guest house elsewhere in the capital.

A pamphlet circulated by a group calling itself the Peoples Democratic Movement said: The people of Fiji are rising spontaneously, peacefully, but resolutely, against the rule of the gun and the dictatorship of a group of power hungry, corrupt

"People of Fiji arise, and fight for your country's freedom ...

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In Hoshiarpur, a suspected ex-

tremist named as Swaran Singh

was wounded in an exchange of

fire with the police who found him and an accomplice on board

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succeeding. In the past two days two extremists have been killed

The triple bombing occurred

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broken up ETA's "Madrid Com-

some of the deadliest attacks of

the groups 19-year-old struggle

for an independent Basque state.

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one was missing. West led a trump. Declarer drew a second round and, when the suit

split 2-2, he wasted no time in

adopting the wrong line of play. He played five rounds of clubs, dis-

carding two dlamonds from hand.

then led a spade from the table. We

would like to report that he

guessed correctly and put in the

jack. In fart, he went up with the king and lost Iwo spade tricks for

The sad part of the whole affair

is that declarer did not need to

guess the spade position to fulfill his slam. Instead of sluffing two di-

amonds on the clubs, he should have forced himself to get rid of

both of his spade honors. Now

there is no way the contract can be defeated. All declarer has to do is

concede a diamond trick, and then he can ruff his last diamond on the

table. South traded in a sure thing

for false economy.

The first explosion was at navy

held responsible for

1 killed, 9 injured in 3 Madrid blasts

que guerrillas exploded three car only four months after the gov-

D IS FOR DISCARD

Direct rule was imposed to try

PTI said the accomplice tried

ramilitary forces in the state.

Punjab calm as arrests top 800

The will of the people must rise above the bullet," the pamphlet

Lientenant-Colonel Rabuka told a news conference Saturday the military would deal swiftly with any strikes hy Indians, who form the backbone of Fiji's small businessmen and labourers.

He said the military rulers did not recognise the right of unions and businessmen to stop work in

"You bave to accept that we are no longer in a free democratic environment at the moment. We hope to get back into it as soon as we can," Col. Rabuka said.

Indians, descendants of indentured labourers, ontnumber Fijians by 17,000 in the 714,000 population. They also held 19 of the 28 seats won by the deposed coalition in elections last month to the 52-member parliament.

Dr. Bayadra's victory ended 17 years of rule by the indigenous Fijian-dominated Alliance Party since independence from Britain.

and the only civilian death re-

ported was a night watchman shot

dead by three extremists near

Faridkot Saturday night, PTI

A police spokesman said li-

quor, cigarette and barber shops

which bad closed down after

threats from Sikh fundamentalists

were reopening all over the state.

being questioned after a gun bat-

tle with police who entered their

temple on Friday to look for

extremists. Police reported seiz-

ing a huge amount of arms and

drove past and injuring five other

ETA killed 41 people - main-

in 1986 but most of its attacks

Security officials felt the crack-

down on Basque exiles in the

south of France and the success

against the Madrid Commando

ly members of the security forces

this year have been in the north-

eastern city of Barcelona.

ammunition from the temple.

In Delhi, about 35 Sikhs were

said Australia's High Commissioner in Suva, John Piper, had Col. Rabuka, 38, said the rebeen instructed to make every vised constitution being prepared effort to see Dr. Bavadra. by his 16-member council of

ministers would preserve forever

Fijian control of the nation's poli-

tical system and communal land

ownership which keeps 80 per

Fiji's two English-language daily newspapers would be allowed to resume publication Monday.

They were closed hy the army on

Friday for criticising the coup.

banks to remain closed Monday

in an effort to stem an outflow of

Australia said Sunday it was

A Foreign Ministry spokesman

cent of Fiji in native hands.

executive rule.

with Dr. Bavadra.

Sri Lanka

braces for

attacks in

resort city

island's ethnic conflict.

COLOMBO (R) - Security

forces went on alert Sunday

against possible Tamil separatist

bomb attacks in the resort city of

Kandy and other parts of central

Sri Lanka so far antonched by the

The Defence Ministry said it had warned residents of Kandy.

an ancient city and a holy place

for the island's Buddhist major-

ity, and other towns that guerril-

las might attack in the next few

Military officials said the guer-

rillas, who are fighting for a

separate Tamil homeland in the

north and east of the island,

wanted to divert attention from

what they said were recent suc-

cesses by the security forces in

The government blamed the

guerrillas for a car bomb last

month which killed 113 people in

A Defence Ministry statement

urged the public to report suspi-

cious-looking vehicles or packages

It said Kandy, Gampola and

Matale, in the central hills,

Kurunegala in western province.

and Polonnaruwa in north-central

province were possible guerrilla

Police patrols in those areas

have been stepped up and troops were on stand-by, government spokesman Tilak Ratnakara said.

Most people in the affected regions are Sinhalese, the coun-

northern areas.

to the police.

targets.

Colombo, the capital.

should prevent coup

MANILA (R) — Philippine President Corazon Aquino says she hopes the ruling party's massive election victory will prevent further coup attempts and make the army loyal to her government.

in London, a Backingham In an interview with local reporters at the presidential palace Saturday night, Mrs. Aquino also Palace spokesman said Queen Elizabeth, the constitutional said the huge 90 per cent turnout in the May 11 election showed monarch of Fiji, had been in regular radio contact with Ganilau, who on Friday declared a Filipinos loved democracy and ber opponents "have to think twice" before trying to destabilise state of emergency and proc-laimed that he would exercise the government. Col. Rahuka Saturday said

She said she was willing to talk with disgrantled opponents who bad accused ber government of voting frand but that they should make the first move.

Opposition leader Juan Ponce The colonel has also ordered Enrile, a former defence chief who is believed to still enjoy strong army support, bad threatened to lead national protest rallies after independent vote orgently trying to make contact counts showed Mrs. Aquino candidates sweeping 23 of 24 senate seats.

"I hope that with this election, the members of the armed forces would not only not support Enrile hut will definitely be loyal to this government," Mrs. Aquino said. "I don't really believe that we should place so much emphasis on what Johnny Ponce Enrile can

do or not do," she said.

She said "I hope so," when asked if she thought the election results would discourage further conp attempts against ber.

to appoint military representatives to the lower bouse when the two-chamber congress convened next month. She did not say how

A senior military officer virtually ruled out any army threat against Mrs. Aquino.

"It is generally perceived right now that the military is completely hacking the Cory (Aquino) government," Deputy Armed Forces Chief Major-General Eduardo Ermita told reporters Saturday.

The army said Smiday that a total of 1,255 people have been killed in two separate guerrilla wars in the Philippines this year, 22 per cent less than the same

period last year.
It said 1,121 people were killed up to May 15 in violence related to the nationwide Communist insurgency. The rest were casual-ties from a smaller Muslim separatist rebellion on the southern island Mindanao.

The casualties were 456 Communist guerrillas, 55 Muslim re-bels, 391 soldiers and policemen and 353 civilians

A total of 1,608 people were killed in the same period last year. They were 645 rebels, both Communists and Muslim, 502 soldiers, and 461 civilians.

Meanwhile Swiss Red Cross worker Jacky Sudan, kidnapped by Muslim guerrillas 12 days ago in the southero Philippines, is suffering from malaria, the military said Sunday.

Mrs. Aguino said she planned U.S. accused of bid to inflame Soviet-Afghan border tension

MOSCOW (R) — The Communist Party daily Pravda accused the United States Sunday of seeking to inflame tensions along the Soviet-Afghan border hy enconraging Muslim rehels to launch sorties into Soviet terri-

In a dispatch from Kahul, Pravda charged Pakistan with joining the Reagan administration in trying to sabotage a "national reconciliation" programme which the Soviet-backed Afghan government says is aimed at ending

"Arming and egging on the Afghan counter-revolution, the United States and its regional partner would like to wreck the process of national reconciliation in Afghanistan," Pravda correspondent Vadim Okulov wrote.

"Facts show that the U.S. administration not only persists in its goal of overthrowing the legal government in Kabul, but also entertains the hope of turning the Soviet-Afghan border into a hotspot," he said.

The official Soviet media have reported two cross-border incidents this year, the first disclosed since the Kremlin sent troops into Afghanistan in December 1979 in support of Kabul's Communist

government. Guerrillas were said to have two others on March 8 while firing across the frontier at Pyandzh, a border town in Soviet Tadzhikistan.

One month later, the rebeis were said to have raided Pyrandzh and killed two Soviet frontier guards. The Soviet media said 14 insurgents were killed.

The attacks prompted Viktor Chehrikov, head of the KGB security police, which is responsible for guarding the Soviet Union's borders, to tour areas along the Soviet-Afghan frontier at the end of April.

Okulov said rebel claims of successes in these incidents were ridiculous. "I happened to visit the sites of these events, and I witnessed the shattering punishment that was inflicted on the provocateurs inspired from out-

The official Kabul Radio reported Saturday that Afghan guerrillas killed 13 workers from the Energy Ministry in an ambush east of the capital.

The radio, monitored in Islama bad, said the workers were driving home after receiving two weeks' salaries in Kabul. As they were in the Latahand Pass the rebels attacked their vehicle with rockets and other weapons on Thursday afternoon.

"As a result 13 workers were try's majority etbnic group killed one person and wounded killed." it said.

official newspaper, the People's Daily, said Sunday the campaign against "bourgeois liberalisation" bad turned back the tide of Westero political ideas but that the

more democracy.

December by students calling for tion" were explained. The People's Daily said that as

a result of the campaign, Marx-ism had been strengthened, society was more stable and continuing economic growth was assured.

But the newspaper admitted the party faced a daunting propaganda problem. It said many people had no interest in the

The paper said the struggle against "serious spread of bourgeois liberal thinking" had been in progress for four or five months and added: "The situa-

tion has changed." "We can say that the struggle bas already scored great achievements, but that does not mean that it is over. Exactly the opposite, the struggle must he deepened and continued in a healthy way."

stood his ground on his World War II record as leading politi-cians reacted angrily to Washington's failure to produce docu-ments justifying his effective bar-ring from the United States. Dr. Waldheim said Saturday

night that he had been forced into fighting for a Nazi regime that be did not support, and criticised foreign governments for aban-doning Austria to the clutches of Hitler's Third Reich in the 1930s. In a prepared speech, Dr. Waldheim said: "In 1939 when we were dragged into war by a reg-

He had been one of hundreds of thousands drafted into Hitler's army after the 1938 "anschluss" when German troops marched into Austria, incorporating the country into Germany. Many Au-

Last month Washington barred the 68-year-old president from entering the United States as a private citizen because of suspicions about his war service in the

The move deepened the isolation of Dr. Waldheim, who has

In his speech to Austrian sol-diers, Dr. Waldheim introduced a bint of criticism of reaction abroad to allegations linking him to war crimes, which be rejects.

German pressure on Austria bad grown in the years leading to the

Franz Vranitzsky due to leave for a U.S. visit on Tuesday, conservative and right-wing politi-cians attacked the U.S. Justice

Michael Graff, Secretary-General of the conservative coalition partner People's Party (OEVP), described a visit to Vienna hy Justice Department officials as an attempt to disguise that they had no proof that Dr.

for documentary evidence used in the Justice Department decision against Dr. Waldheim. But the officials merely gave a verbal explanation of their reasons when they met Austrian government

right-wing Freedom Party, de-scribed the Americans' bebaviour said a cancellation was oot being

Transport Minister Ferdinand

infamous Nazi death camp. Mr. Lacina evoked the horrors

Several Jews who regularly attend the event said Mr. Lacina's comments were among the strongest ever made by an Austrian politician. A government minister is invited to speak each

Mauthausen, about 120 kilometres west of Vienna, was the last of the Nazi concentration camps to be liberated. American troops freed the inmates there on

death camp.

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Part of ancient mosque uncovered

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Archaeologists bave uncovered a wall of a 7th century mosque in the war-battered southern city of Basra, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported. The mosque, named after the revered Shi ite Muslim leader Imam Ali and founded by his followers, has great significance for Iraqi Shi ites. It is believed to date to the year 14 of the Islamic era, meaning it was founded in the year 636 on the Western calendar. The Iraqi agency, monitored in Nicosia, quoted sources at the National Archaeology Department as saying the stones uncovered were believed to be part of the northern wall of the mosque The wall is 10 metres from the mosque's minaret. Although an Iranian air raid earlier in the 61/2-year-old Gulf war forced a halt to work on the mosque, the stoppage was only temporary. Iraq has continued efforts to excavate and restore both Islamic and Christian relics despite the war, and several people have been killed hy shell fire during such work, according to Director of Antiquities Moaiyad Saeed Dimurgi.

Mysterious treasure saved from bonfire

TEL AVIV (AP) - More than an old armchair was about to be burned in a holiday bonfire when children found \$2,000 in its stuffing, a newspaper said Sunday. The children and thousands of other people across the country were celebrating the Lag Ba'omer festival marking the victory of Jewish troops over the Roman occupiers in 135 A.D. One of the children sat on the chair before throwing it into the fire, felt a hulge and found the money, the Al Hamishmar newspaper said. It said the children took the money to the Tel Aviv police. The law limits the amount of dollars Israelis may own, and many took to hiding additional sums in their bomes during the years of double- and triple-digit inflation in the early 1980s.

Funeral service set for Rita Hayworth

BEVERLY HILLS, California (AP) — A funeral mass will be said Monday for Rita Hayworth, the red-haired "love goddess" of 1940s films who died last week after a long bout with Alzheimer's disease, a priest has announced. Monsignor Peter Healey, who will say the mass, said Miss Hayworth's remains were to be huried at Holy Cross Cemetery in Culver City. Miss Hayworth died Thursday night in New York City of Alzheimer's disease; an incurable brain disorder causing symptoms of senility in its victims. Biographies of the actress put her age at 68, but Princess Yasmin Aga Khan said ber mother was 69.

Priest drains holy water used by addicts

PAMPLONA, Spain (R) - A parish priest here has ordered holy water to be removed from the baptismal font of his church after discovering that drug addicts were using it to wash syringes church sources have said. Benjamin Orbaiz took the decision for public health reasons after finding syringe needles lying in the font, they said. Spain reported 189 drug-related deaths last year and 18,600 arrests on drag charges.

Bandits kidnap Pakistani tycoon

KARACHI (R) - Four bandits kidnapped Pakistani husiness magnate Suleman Dawood at gunpoint from his farm in Sind province, police said. Family sources said bandits had threatened that Dawood would be abducted if he did not pay them two million rupees (\$117,600) but there had been no ransom demand since the kidnapping. Police quoted two peasants as saying they watched helplessly as four bandits with automatic weapons drove up to Dawood's farm at Hassenpur, 180 kilometres north-east of the provincial capital Karachi, and took him away. Dawood is number two man in the Dawood group, one of Pakistan's leading industrial groups. The group is headed hy his elder brother Ahmad Dawood.

'Dead' man revives from coma

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Fred Dugan needed the generosity of neighbours and strangers to help him put his life back together. because his relatives jumped the gun and sold most of his possessions while he was hospitalised in a coma. "We're getting quite well," the 76-year-old man said Saturday in a telephone interview made possible by donated hearing aids. "My neighbours here are wonderful. I never knew I had such good friends." When he got out of a convalescent home three weeks ago, all that was left in his two-bedroom cottage in Ontario. 64 kilometres east of Los Angeles, were a few old chairs, an electric organ and a television set. With the help of a lawyer and friends from the hospital, Dugan has reclaimed his car and home from a bank that he says was planning an estate sale. Trouble began for Dugan, a retired construction worker, when he collapsed on Sept. 20. "The doctors didn't think I had any chance of hving at all," he said. "I had brain damage." Dugan was vague about his specific ailments hut said be was overweight and "was drinking a bit." Dugan spent six months in what he called a semi-coma in a hospital and the convalescent home. By the time he revived, he said, a lawyer had prematurely opened his will, which left everything to an uncle. His daughter and other relatives cleaned out the bouse, he said.

Confused tourist wanders Tokyo streets

TOKYO (AP) — A 22-year-old American wandered Tokyo streets for three days after she lost sight of her mother during a shopping trip, a police officer said Sunday. The woman, Doree Doi, was found wandering the streets in a residential neighbourhood on Saturday by a local resident who brought her to a police station, said the police officer, who asked that be not be named. She was later reunited with ber mother, Sumiko, 58, at a police station in Shinjuku in western Tokyo, he said.

'Ear wax helps determine racial origin'

MOSCOW (R) — A Soviet scientist has established that the type of wax found in people's ears can help determine their racial origin, TASS news agency has said. Viktor Spitsin, a specialist in biological sciences, told TASS that Soviet scientists bad identified two different types of ear wax, which is technically known as cerumen. "We have singled out two cerumen types, the dry one and the wet one, with a substantially different protein and ferment content," Spitsin said. Spitsin has established that dry ear wax is generally found in people of Mongoloid origin, TASS said. Wet cerumen is rare in Japan, China and aboriginals in the Fast and western Siberia, while it prevails in Australia and Africa, it saided "The common test which is an arcollect racial." it added. 'The cerumen test, which is an excellent racial diagnostic method, could greatly contribute to historical genetics. We have already determined that Estomans and Hungarians have more Mongoloid genes than other European peoples," Spitsin said. The specialist also said a study of ear wax could help determine people's vulnerability to cardio-vascular diseases, breast cancer and arteriosclerosis.

Ban on neon signs lifted in S. Korea

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The government had decided to lift a 10-year-old ban on installing neon signs in an effort to help promote tourism with the 1988 Seoul Olympic Games approaching, officials have said. The officials said the Energy and Resources Ministry made the decision at the request of various government agencies and other organisations. Some foreign tourists and domestic critics have complained that streets in Seoul and other cities in this country are dull, with insufficient illumination at night. The ministry imposed the han in 1977 under an energy conservation programme. Hospitals, drug stores, railway stations and bus terminals were exempt. The restriction was lifted in 1983 for Chejn Island, a tomist attraction off the southern coast.



cut by flying glass. The second was outside the main air force had put the organisation on the building, where two sentries and defensive in the capital. a taxi driver were slightly hurt. ETA also suffered a major The third bomb exploded oppoblow with the death in Algeria of aid the attacks appeared to be site the headquarters of the parathe man regarded as its leader, the work of the separanst guerril military Civil Guard, killing 70-Domingo "Txomin" Iturbe, kilyear-old Carmen Pascual as she led in a car crash earlier this year. Army takes GOREN BRIDGE over as

police strike continues

Peruvian

LIMA, Peru (AP) - Soldiers in armoured vehicles cordoned off a downtown police station where the leaders of a police strike were boled up on the second day of a walkout for higher pay. Army troops patrolled the

streets as the government braced for expected attacks by the Shining Path Sunday to mark the seventh anniversary of the guerrilla group's insurgency.

President Alan Garcia named a two-man team Saturday to negotiate with strike leaders. A spokesman for the Interior Ministry said Mr. Garcia had promised there would be no violent suppression of the strike.

A dozen armoured vehicles and about 300 soldiers with automanic rifles set up a cordon before dawn Saturday around the downtown Lima Police Station.

Late Friday night the govero-ment shut off electricity, water and telephone service to the sta-

About 300 striking police were inside the station, including their

Troops prevented other striking police from joining the offic-ers inside the station. Several hundred police marched through downtown Saturday morning, tying up traffic on major streets. Striking police were demanding a raise equivalent to \$185 a month, a 48-bour work week and overtime pay. Most police currently earn about \$250 a month. Strike leaders said Saturday that support for the walkout was building and at least 7,000 of the 10,000 police in Lima and the neighbouring port of Callao were

participating.
The Interior Ministry official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said about 700 police were actively striking. He said an unde-termined number of other patrol-men were intimidated and staying

away from their jobs. Few policemen were visible on 'Lima's streets Saturday. Soldiers and marines guarded embassies | yet to travel abroad since his

China urged to continue anti-bourgeois struggle

PEKING (R) — China's main struggle must be deepened.

The campaign began in January after the fall of Communist Party chief Hu Yaobang. He was accused of failing to control the spread of Westero political ideas

which led to demonstrations last dangers of "bourgeois liberalisa-

articles and meetings at which the

Waldheim stands his ground on war record

ime nnt supported by us, we could not foresee the appalling consequences of Nazi rule."

strians welcomed their arrival.

VIENNA (R) — Austria's belea-gured President Kurt Waldheim he has received invitations from the Arab World.

> The interoational community of nations had looked away as anschluss, leaving his country in the lurch, be said. With Spicialist Chancellur

Department's attempts to justify its decision 10 bar Dr. Waldheim.

Waldheim was a war criminal. Austria had asked Washington

Joerg Haider, bead of the as scandalous and called on Mr. Vranitzky to call off the visit. which is certain to be dominated by the Waldheim affair. A spokesman for Mr. Vranitzky contemplated.

Lacina on Sunday condemned anti-Semitism in Austria in a speech commemorating the liberation of the country's most

of the holocaust and lambasted the lingering hatred for Jews in Austrian society.

year at the ceremony.

May 17, 1945.

During World War II, about 200,000 people were murdered at Manthausen, Austria's higgest